Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:25:15 -0400

From: "laurennelson@wisc.edu" < laurennelson@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Lauren Nelson 312 N. Hamilton Madison, WI 53703

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:24:45 -0400 From: "merry@fpmt.org" <merry@fpmt.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Our oceans contain and sustain some of the most vast and complex ecosystems on the planet as well as supplying a food source for millions. PLEASE, do not jeopardize the oceans already ailing health by weakening habitat guidelines any further.

Sincerely, Marilyn Colony box 553 arroyo hondo, NM 87513

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:24:35 -0400

From: "valjing@aol.com" <valjing@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Valerie Capezzuto 563 53 Street West New York, NJ 07093

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:23:55 -0400

From: "a.sargentini@worldnet.att.net" <a.sargentini@worldnet.att.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Let us respect the sea from which we all come.

Sincerely, angelo sargentini 38 hancock street lambertville, NJ 08530

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:23:05 -0400 From: "alhill@mail.com" <alhill@mail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Alexander Hill 36 Chaplin Street Chaplin, CT 06235

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:22:35 -0400

From: "ericamelliott@aol.com" <ericamelliott@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Erica Elliott 2300 W. Alameda #A-2 Santa Fe, NM 87507

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:21:45 -0400

From: "suedayton@ameritech.net" < suedayton@ameritech.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Susan Dayton 6375 Tara Hill Dr. Dublin, OH 43017

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:21:45 -0400

From: "mecooley@netdirect.net" <mecooley@netdirect.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Oceans produce much of the protein that our populace eats - it is important!

Sincerely, Marian Cooley 1400 N. Woodridge Muncie, IN 47304

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:21:15 -0400

From: "pwiedenkeller@juno.com" <pwiedenkeller@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our seas are in trouble. As a casual snorkler I've seen a tremedous difference in the health of the coral and fish habitats in the last 20 years. Please show some foresight and help protect our oceans. Do not weaken existing guidelines.

Our survival depends on maintaining a healthy balance in the world we live in. Our oceans must be protected.
Sincerely,
Pamela Wiedenkeller
45 Mill Street
Westwood, NJ 07645

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:20:55 -0400

From: "renastrool@yahoo.com" <renastrool@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our health is dependent on vital and clean water sources and environmental protection must always be/remain a top priority in order for all of us to be healthy and thrive.

Sincerely, Rena Strool 32 Woodlawn Ave. Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:20:55 -0400

From: "cmhans@cox.net" <cmhans@cox.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Courtney Hans 902-B W. Johanna St. Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:20:35 -0400

From: "a.zuckerman@drurydesign.com" <a.zuckerman@drurydesign.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I strongly urge you and your office to strengthen, rather than weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The current guidelines have not been successful in doing what they were intended to do: stop overfishing, rebuild overfished stocks, minimize bycatch and protect essential fish habitat.

In order to both help fisheries, which are near commercial extinction, and restore and preserve our oceans, please see that the protection of fish habitat be increased.

Sincerely, Andrea Zuckerman Andrea Zuckerman 121 Mercer Street Jersey City, NJ 07302

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:20:05 -0400

From: "rmuttech@wisc.edu" <rmuttech@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rachel Uttech 45 N. Mills St. Madison, WI 53715

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:19:55 -0400

From: "adamsspencer@sbcglobal.net" <adamsspencer@sbcglobal.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

As a retired Marine Biology Teacher I want the fish habitat guidelines strengthened not weakened. The future of fish productivity and mans use of the ocean as a food source depends upon it!

Sincerely, SPENCER ADAMS 100 NEW RD. HAMDEN, CT 06518

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:19:25 -0400 From: "maguire@pol.net" <maguire@pol.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I am a resident of southern New Jersey and I am especially interested in preserving the Delaware Bay and Atlantic coast. I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Please do not allow short-term considerations and greed to get a higher priority than conservation of our environment.

Sincerely, Randall Maguire 340 Park Drive Moorestown, NJ 08057

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:18:44 -0400

From: "Beatleskmo@aol.com" <Beatleskmo@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kyle Oliver University of Wisconsin-Madison Kyle Oliver 211 Turner 1650 Kronshage Dr. Madison, WI 53706

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:18:34 -0400

From: "boopsie9@bellsouth.net" <boopsie9@bellsouth.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Anita Flagstad 109 Wonder Valley Rd Hendersonville, TN 37075-2038

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:18:34 -0400

From: "ptonne@unm.edu" <ptonne@unm.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Phil Tonne 413 Hermosa Dr. NE Albuquerque, NM 87108

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:18:04 -0400

From: "meeart@hotmail.com" < meeart@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

M. Jones M Jones POB 520 Accord, NY 12404

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:54 -0400

From: "greg.silva@igt.com" <greg.silva@igt.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We must protect our oceans not only for ourselves but for future generation. Exploitation of our oceans in ways that are distructive to the fish habitat for short term profits is the ultimate of greed and selfishness. Please do not give in to special interest, do not weaken the existing protection of our oceans.

Sincerely,

Gregory A. Silva Gregory Silva 1603 Taos Court Reno, NV 89511

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:54 -0400

From: "meeart@hotmail.com" <meeart@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

M. Jones M Jones POB 520 Accord, NY 12404

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:54 -0400

From: "meredithgrey@yahoo.com" <meredithgrey@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. This is of vital importance. Why on earth would this administration take steps to weaken ocean protections? It simply makes no sense, and is damagaing to all.

Sincerely, Meredith Grey 16 S Knoll Road Mill Valley, CA 94941

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:54 -0400

From: "jwalters@mhtc.net" <jwalters@mhtc.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, James Walters 206 South Second St. Mount Horeb, WI 53572

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:44 -0400

From: "meeart@hotmail.com" <meeart@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

M. Jones M Jones POB 520 Accord, NY 12404

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:44 -0400

From: "Alanawau@verizon.net" <Alanawau@verizon.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Aloha Mr. Schmitten,

PLEASE protect our oceans and DO NOT weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

It is continually astonishing to me that we have to ask those in charge to nurture rather than exploit the natural resources of the earth. It should be a matter of course that we nurture that which nurtures us!

Mahalo a nui, Stephanie Grout P.O. Box 159 Volcano, HI 96785

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:24 -0400

From: "amedwardson@yahoo.com" <amedwardson@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Fish are a recommended food source with essential vitamins and oils for good health. Yet, even as these food sources are recommended by nutritionists, many of the fish and shrimp, etc. are in danger of extinction. They are being overfished to the extent that they may become extinct before they can be listed as an endangered species.

Please protect our oceans with wise fishing guidelines so that we may continue to enjoy these tasty and nutritious food sources.

Sincerely, Anne Edwardson 1638 Sunfield Street Madison, WI 53704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:24 -0400

From: "amedwardson@yahoo.com" <amedwardson@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Fish are a recommended food source with essential vitamins and oils for good health. Yet, even as these food sources are recommended by nutritionists, many of the fish and shrimp, etc. are in danger of extinction. They are being overfished to the extent that they may become extinct before they can be listed as an endangered species.

Please protect our oceans with wise fishing guidelines so that we may continue to enjoy these tasty and nutritious food sources.

Sincerely, Anne Edwardson 1638 Sunfield Street Madison, WI 53704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:17:14 -0400

From: "dvd.kvd@juno.com" <dvd.kvd@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Please use your authority to maintain the strongest possible protections for oceans and fish habitats. Our oceans are a critical part of spaceship Earth, and need protection not just for current economic issues and for feeding the hungry, but also for the survival of humanity and our companiions on Earth.

Peace,

Kathy Van Dame 1148 E 6600 S SLC, UT 84121

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:16:24 -0400

From: "geraldine.dickel@yale.edu" <geraldine.dickel@yale.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Geraldine Dickel 693 Orange St Apt 401 New Haven, CT 06511

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:16:14 -0400

From: "danvice@yahoo.com" <danvice@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten:

I am writing to urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans.

Please act now to protect essential fish habitat and strengthen protection for our oceans.

Sincerely, Daniel Vice 2141 P St NW #203 Washington, DC 20037

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:54 -0400

From: "agstires@earthlink.net" <agstires@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Anne G Stires 1 Ann Street

Verona, NJ 07044

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:54 -0400

From: "sue.breuer@givaudan.com" <sue.breuer@givaudan.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sue Breuer 51 Hidden Creek View Hartford, WI 53027

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:34 -0400

From: "kpgskis@earthlink.net" <kpgskis@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our oceans are important to the overall environmental balance.

Sincerely, Kay Page Greaser 143 Center Hill Road Pleasant Valley, CT 06063

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:24 -0400

From: "lydia.steinhardt@yale.edu" <lydia.steinhardt@yale.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, lydia steinhardt 25 wolcott st new haven, CT 06513

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:24 -0400

From: "ddenkenb@princeton.edu" <ddenkenb@princeton.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, David Denkenberger 223C Eisenhower St Princeton, NJ 08540

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:24 -0400

From: "nanconci@uswest.net" <nanconci@uswest.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Thank you for your leadership in the matter of protecting our oceans and not weakening the existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Have you been diving lately? Aside from the beauty of the ocean, the health of our planet is in your hands, in part.

God bless.

Sincerely, Nancy Kenney 815 Camino Don Emilio Santa Fe, NM 87507

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:14 -0400

From: "erkarone@comcast.net" <erkarone@comcast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Emily Carone 99 Lincoln Ave Lambertville, NJ 08530

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:04 -0400

From: "squebe@mail.com" <squebe@mail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Scott Stollenwerk 805 State St#21 La Crosse, WI 54601

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:15:04 -0400

From: "wdmsam@aol.com" <wdmsam@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sherline Murphy 37 Churchill Dr. Bella Vista, AR 72714

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:14:54 -0400

From: "jmoning@excite.com" < jmoning@excite.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jarod Moninger 2115 S. Carrollton Apt. C New Orleans, LA 70118

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:14:54 -0400 From: "asha@tamu.edu" <asha@tamu.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Asha Rao P.O.Box 3 College Station, TX 77841

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:14:54 -0400

From: "rasgoddess@hotmail.com" <rasgoddess@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, allyson snyder 134 w. tulane rd. cols., OH 43202

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:13:54 -0400

From: "margemead@cox.net" < margemead@cox.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Marjorie Mead 11082 W. Timberline Dr. Sun City, AZ 85351

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:13:44 -0400

From: "anthonypadua@earthlink.net" <anthonypadua@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Anne Kvestich 770 AndersonAv cliffside park, NJ 07010

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:13:14 -0400

From: "jkwilson95@earthlink.net" <jkwilson95@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, kim wilson 5981 gainey ct westerville, OH 43082

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:12:54 -0400

From: "fortkendall@aol.com" <fortkendall@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to repudiate any attempts at weakening existing guidelines to protect our oceans and their vast arrray of species.

Recent studies point out that stocks of many species are 40% to 80% depleted, depending on the species. These studies point out a need for MORE protection of habitat for all life stages of ocean species, and MORE effective, science-based regulation of commercial and recreational fishing, not less.

I am appalled at the Bush administration's rejection of science-based management policy on many topics. I must emphatically state that there is no more room for bowing to those who connive for short-term economic gain at the expense of the sustainability and long-term health of our ocean ecosystems that comprise our national "commons."

Sincerely, Jeffrey Schimpff 2721 Kendall Avenue Madison, WI 53705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:12:34 -0400

From: "finnyInn@aol.com" <finnyInn@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, tom finnegan 333 Bx River Rd yonkers, NC 10704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:12:24 -0400 From: "nrn@charter.net" <nrn@charter.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mike Glick 605 Gail Ave Onalaska, WI 54650

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:11:14 -0400

From: "rasgoddess@hotmail.com" <rasgoddess@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, allyson snyder 134 w. tulane rd. apt.d columbus, OH 43202

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:10:34 -0400

From: "lglad@adelphia.net" < lglad@adelphia.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Lawrence Gladieux 11364 Jack Rabbit Ct Sterling, VA 20165

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:09:54 -0400

From: "SILVEGM@NU.COM" <SILVEGM@NU.COM>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Rolland Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Current and future generations will thank you for caring about the beautiful, helpless marine life that inhabit our oceans...and how blessed you are to be in the position to make such a valuable contribution to the planet!

The occupants of this planet thank you from the bottom of our hearts,

GAIL SILVERNAIL-BLOOD 59 TIMBERLINE DR NEW HARTFORD, CT 06057

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:09:04 -0400

From: "mbeck@ssnd-milw.org" <mbeck@ssnd-milw.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mary Beck 110 Notre Dame St. Mount Calvary, WI 53057

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:08:04 -0400

From: "earthdragon11@excite.com" <earthdragon11@excite.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I urge you to strengthen them instead by proposing laws that limit fishing, and impose stiff penalties on habitat destruction. As you know, all life depends on water, but maybe more education to the general public on eco-systems might assist convincing people that the oceans are worth protecting.

Sincerely, adam miller 5999 hidden valley drive Mayville, NY 14757

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:07:54 -0400

From: "cnorris@iastate.edu" <cnorris@iastate.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Chris Norris 2215 Storm St Ames, IA 50014

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:07:24 -0400

From: "lwilson@wesleyan.edu" <lwilson@wesleyan.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I am writing you to ask your help in protecting our ocean habitats which provide fish with the food, shelter, spawning areas and nursing grounds that are essential to their continued survival.

Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to an alarming decline in the health of our oceans.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Lu Wilson 45 Walnut Street Ivoryton, CT 06442

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:07:24 -0400

From: "sherynetie@aol.com" <sherynetie@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Off every U.S. coast, our oceans are threatened by overfishing, pollution, offshore drilling, climate change, cruise ships, and more. Of the myriad threats to our oceans, one of the most serious is rampant overfishing.

As industrialized commercial fishing replaced subsistence harvests around the world, overfishing has steadily worsened. High-tech fishing fleets have become so efficient that some fish populations have disappeared within just a few years. A May 2003 study published in Nature magazine found that in the absence of sound management, populations of large predatory ocean fish have declined by 90 percent since the introduction of commercial fishing.

In addition, in its 2003 report to Congress evaluating the status of US fisheries, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) found that 97 fish stocks—41 percent of all federally managed fisheries—are in jeopardy. This is an increase from previous years, indicating that current management plans have been unable to stabilize fisheries, let alone improve them.

Harvesting too many fish too quickly is at the heart of the overfishing problem, but it is exacerbated by the use of indiscriminant, destructive fishing gear. Scientists estimate that fishermen discard 2.3 billion pounds of unintentionally-caught species every year—about a quarter of their total take.

I repeat, I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Shaurain Farber 2724 Young Ave. Bronx, NY 10469

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:07:04 -0400

From: "vze2fxmp@verizon.net" <vze2fxmp@verizon.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

As you know 34% of all fish species are threatened by extinction. Now is not the time to weaken any protections. Rather, they must be strengthened if we are to enjoy the biodiversity provided by the world's oceans.

Sincerely, Sandra Carrubba 200 E. Hazeltine Ave. Kenmore, NY 14217

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:06:34 -0400

From: "ssutherland@mmsd.com" <ssutherland@mmsd.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I work as an aquatic biologist in Milwaukee, WI. We need to do everything we can to protect the watersheds we live in, which includes protecting the organisms that live in the water. Lakes and rivers are essential to tourism (and thus the economy) in our state. Oceans and lakes exist for everyone to enjoy. Let's preserve what we have for future generations.

Sincerely, Susan Sutherland N83 W16332 Kenny Lane Menomonee Falls, WI 53051

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:06:24 -0400

From: "kwjohnson_2@charter.net" <kwjohnson_2@charter.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Kent Johnson Ballwin, MO Kent Johnson 1047 Terracewood Circle Ballwin, MO 63011

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:06:04 -0400

From: "madanna102@aol.com" <madanna102@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Marie DAnna 516 Russell Ave Ridgefield, NJ 07657

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:06:04 -0400 From: "descrv@aol.com" <descrv@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Doug Stephens 2 Sheridan Road Summit, NJ 07901

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:04:24 -0400

From: "dspaeth@agridairy.com" <dspaeth@agridairy.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Just examine the report issued this week regarding the state of our oceans. By all admissions, they have deteriorated due to 30 years of mismanagement and ineffective programs. There is no possible reason to relax or weaken any habitat guidelines in light of the present state of our marine resources.

Sincerely, Daniel Spaeth 94 Mianus Rd. Cos Cob, CT 06807

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:04:03 -0400 From: "elmac@mlc.net" <elmac@mlc.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Elizabeth McMahon 126 Pointer lane St. Louis, MO 63124

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:03:43 -0400

From: "texasred@email.com" <texasred@email.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

It is time to put the environment first, and tell the special interests money grubbers that they have no more say in the matter. I live in Hawaii and the ocean is important to me. I want it to remain beautiful and teeming with life, but it is getting raped all the time by pollution. People in California can't even swim in the Pacific unprotected most of the time. Species are dying out, migrating to new areas, and many areas are being overfished. Debeers diamond corpoation is dredging the ocean floor, destroying eco-systems in the process, all for something sparkly. It has got to stop.

Sincerely, Dillon Naber Dillon Naber 279 Fenander Ave #101 Wahiawa, HI 96786

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:03:23 -0400

From: "dragonsandy@hotmail.com" <dragonsandy@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sandy Sobanski 110 First ST Hoboken, NJ 07030

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:03:13 -0400

From: "jonners@verizon.net" <jonners@verizon.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, john sproesser 720 broadway west cape may, NJ 08204

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:02:43 -0400 From: "kbv1@aol.com" <kbv1@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kyle Vitale 51 Valentine St. Monmouth Beach, NJ 07750

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:02:23 -0400

From: "dayna@madison.ppdi.com" <dayna@madison.ppdi.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Dayna Flores 916 Johnson St Stoughton, WI 53589

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:01:23 -0400

From: "dacks@mindspring.com" <dacks@mindspring.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,Leslie Dack Leslie Dack 888 Old Tory Trail Aiken, SC 29801

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:01:23 -0400

From: "mphillips5@houston.rr.com" <mphillips5@houston.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Michael Phillips Michael Phillips 11023 Ellwood St The Woodlands, TX 77380

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:01:13 -0400

From: "ritastull@aol.com" <ritastull@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I think it is essential, both for the public health and ocean health to keep the oceans sustainable, at least by means of existing protections.

Sincerely, Rita Stull 315 Boal Street Cincinnati, OH 45202

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:01:13 -0400

From: "BhangraE@netscape.net" < BhangraE@netscape.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Emily Schmitt Emily Schmitt 228 Broad St. Menasha, WI 54952

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:01:13 -0400 From: "slainte@ev1.net" <slainte@ev1.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Vicki Morrow 10256 Colony Court Houston, TX 77041

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:01:02 -0400

From: "uhmno@aol.com" <uhmno@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Tracey Clarke 205 Salem Court #4 Princeton, NJ 08540

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:00:42 -0400

From: "zuzu4@wildmail.com" <zuzu4@wildmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Bobbie Peter 2100 Austin #8 Bay City, TX 77414

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:00:42 -0400

From: "KristineWilliams@excite.com" < KristineWilliams@excite.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I am saddened by the recent reports from NOAH on the health of our oceans, particularly the coastal waters of the United States.

Until a future concerted plan is developed to manage and improve the condition of our oceans, I believe we need to keep existing guidelines in place instead of weakening them. The United States' multi-billion dollar fishing industry depends on the health of fish populations, and certainly these guidelines and other similar policies will be needed if we are to improve the status of our oceans.

Sincerely, Kristine Williams 1150 Hotz Ave Iowa City, IA 52245

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:00:32 -0400

From: "gringadeldiablo@tds.net" <gringadeldiablo@tds.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jennifer Guzman 11 Farley Avenue Madison, WI 53705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:00:32 -0400

From: "JJBex@knology.net" <JJBex@knology.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Janet Bex 1887 Beechwood Road Charleston, SC 29414

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:00:32 -0400

From: "jennreden@hotmail.com" <jennreden@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jennifer Eden 4597 Park Hill Dr Salt Lake City, UT 84124

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:00:12 -0400

From: "william.preston@pearsoned.com" <william.preston@pearsoned.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Not only are healthy oceans essential for the food sources they provide, but for the sense of wonder and pleasure they offer to recreational divers and snorkelers.

Sincerely, William Preston 7 Jewet Avenue Tenafly, NJ 07670

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 15:00:02 -0400

From: "ppar@lubrizol.com" <ppar@lubrizol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Patti Paras Patti Paras 6609 N. Palmerston Dr. Mentor, OH 44060

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:59:42 -0400 From: "s.swain@tcu.edu" <s.swain@tcu.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Susan Swain

Fort Worth, TX 76110

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:59:32 -0400

From: "dunger@kidsguide.com" <dunger@kidsguide.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

David Unger David Unger 134 Gallinson Drive Murray Hill, NJ 07974

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:59:22 -0400

From: "ccantelmo@ccm.edu" <ccantelmo@ccm.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Concetta Cantelmo 100 Center Grove Road B11 A14 Randolph, NJ 07869

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:59:02 -0400 From: "jmarff@aol.com" <jmarff@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Joyce Marfield We need our oceans to be safe and clean. Joyce Marfield

Orono, MN 55391

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:59:02 -0400 From: "jmarff@aol.com" <jmarff@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Joyce Marfield We need our oceans to be safe and clean. Joyce Marfield

Orono, MN 55391

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:58:52 -0400

From: "vcal@optonline.net" <vcal@optonline.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

SAVE OUR PRECIOUS OCEANS!

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Virginia Calder 64 Academy Circle Oakland, NJ 07436

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:58:42 -0400

From: "randib@geocities.com" <randib@geocities.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Randi Boucher 3824 Suffolk Lane Plano, TX 75023

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:58:22 -0400

From: "drhesse@facstaff.wisc.edu" <drhesse@facstaff.wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Diane Hesse 1507 Spaight Street Madison, WI 53703

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:57:52 -0400

From: "duhkoz@spamcop.net" <duhkoz@spamcop.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, David Kozlowski 528 Calle Corvo Santa Fe, NM 87501

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:57:41 -0400

From: "christophermweber@juno.com" <christophermweber@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Christopher Weber 2541 Williams Ave., Apt. 2 Cincinnati, OH 45212

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:57:21 -0400

From: "Stacie_Pickett@excite.com" <Stacie_Pickett@excite.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Stacie Pickett PO Box 314 Lincoln Park, NJ 07035

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Ocean life is dwindling. This depletion is due to overfishing, poor management and habitat destruction.

As the health of our oceans dwindle, so does the health of mankind. I urge you to protect essential fish habitat.

Sincerely, Peter Seidel 2200 Victory Parkway #1907 Cincinnati, OH 45206

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:56:51 -0400

From: "LBIELLENC@AOL.COM" <LBIELLENC@AOL.COM>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ellen Curry 154 Avon Street Rosell Park, NJ 07204

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:56:41 -0400 From: "ringli@mac.com" <ringli@mac.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Thomas Gehring Thomas Gehring 577 Shotwell Street San Francisco, CA 94110

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:55:41 -0400

From: "maryc@nationalpublicseating.com" <maryc@nationalpublicseating.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mary Connolly 550 Herrmann Ave River Vale, NJ 07675

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:55:41 -0400

From: "jbarber@trincoll.edu" <jbarber@trincoll.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Joe Barber 14 Park Terrac Hartford, CT 06106

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:54:41 -0400

From: "emgoss@loyno.edu" <emgoss@loyno.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Evelyn Goss 936 East 50th Austin, TX 78751

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:54:41 -0400

From: "daviddavid234@cs.com" <daviddavid234@cs.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. It is the conservative thing to do.

Sincerely, David Vandam 512-699-3373 David Vandam 1135 Barton Hills Dr, #101 Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:54:31 -0400

From: "jemjones@rci.rutgers.edu" <jemjones@rci.rutgers.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Protecting our ocean ecosystems should be of the highest priority for our country. As a citizen and tax payer I strongly support the development of strong environmental policies to protect fish habitats, even if this means strictly limiting and regulating commercial fishing.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Jones Highland Park, NJ 08904 Jennifer Jones 411 South First Ave Highland Park, NJ 08904

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:54:31 -0400

From: "runner472002@yahoo.com" <runner472002@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, monica thiel 528 petunia lane whiting, NJ 08759

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:54:21 -0400

From: "pustim48@uwosh.edu" <pustim48@uwosh.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our oceans may seem vast and limitless, but overfishing and pollution are weakening the oceanic environment. Please remember that this for our children's future, not a political gain.

Sincerely,

Matthew Pustina 913A Jackson Oshkosh, WI 54901

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:54:21 -0400

From: "vstahl@wesleyan.edu" <vstahl@wesleyan.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Remember it is not just about the fish -- Ocean protection protects all of us.

Sincerely, victoria stahl 111 dekoven drive #1201 middletown, CT 06457

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:54:01 -0400

From: "eric.palkovacs@yale.edu" <eric.palkovacs@yale.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Eric Palkovacs 85 Morgan Ave East Haven, CT 06512

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:53:31 -0400 From: "l.ruede@tcu.edu" <l.ruede@tcu.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

All life on earth is interdependent, and dependent upon an intact environment. Ocean habitats, which include coral, sea grasses, sandy bottoms and rocks, all provide fish with the food, shelter, spawning areas and nursing grounds that are essential to their continued survival.

But our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to an alarming decline in the health of our oceans and, in turn, in the health of human beings who consume fish and seafoods--once one of the healthiest foods known.

Currently, under the Magnuson-Stevens Act, essential fish habitat is protected under federal law. I am alarmed that the National Marine Fisheries Service is currently considering making changes to the existing protections which would jeopardize vital resources.

Predictably, special interests are working to convince the Bush administration to weaken existing ocean protections. As forceful as these interests are, they must not be allowed to prevail.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Laura Ruede 3500 Wren Avenue Fort Worth, TX 76133-2129

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:53:11 -0400

From: "mpersia@corus.jnj.com" <mpersia@corus.jnj.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We need to preserve what Nature gives us. Please do all that you can in your position to insure the welfare of our oceans. Thank you for listening to me.

Sincerely, Marcia Marçal Persiano Highland Park, New Jersey 08904 Marcia Marçal Persiano 427 Benner Street Highland Park, NJ 08904

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:53:11 -0400

From: "candlemas@sbcglobal.net" <candlemas@sbcglobal.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Lisa Martin 48 Pine Street Meriden, CT 06451

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:53:01 -0400

From: "ceolsen@execpc.com" <ceolsen@execpc.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Corey E. Olsen W334S724 Cushing Park Rd. Delafield, WI 53018

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:52:41 -0400

From: "gerrimaslanka@vzavenue.net" < gerrimaslanka@vzavenue.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Geraldine Maslanka 201 W. 89th Street, Apt. #15G New York, NY 10024-1848

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:52:21 -0400

From: "tmynster@hotmail.com" <tmynster@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Oceans connect everyone in the world through weather and water supply. No matter how far inland or high in elevation, the ocean effects each of us. Please do not turn your back on this imperative, shared resource.

An ecosystem is regulated by every aspect of it, including wildlife, structure, and dissolved particulates. We have to protect each aspect, not just one.

Sincerely, Tricia Mynster 354 Legacy Dr Henderson, NV 89014

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:51:51 -0400

From: "drmwhite@nets.com" <drmwhite@nets.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, David White 7 Frasco Way Santa Fe, NM 87508

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:49:51 -0400

From: "joesper@knox.edu" <joesper@knox.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. If anything, we need to strengthen our policies and reduce human impact on the oceans as much as possible. Please use your knowledge of habitat destruction to carefully evaluate this situation.

Sincerely,

Julie Oesper Julie Oesper Knox College Box 1216, 2 East S. St. Galesburg, IL 61401

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:49:31 -0400

From: "renfroe44@msn.com" <renfroe44@msn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Eles Renfroe 6781 Hwy 481 S Morton, MS 39117

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:49:11 -0400

From: "fszwec@optonline.net" <fszwec@optonline.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Frances Szwec Frances Szwec 61 Manor Rd Denville, NJ 07834

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:49:10 -0400

From: "drm1011@hotmail.com" <drm1011@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Deborah MacDonald 751 Newcastle Dr. Akron, OH 44313

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:49:00 -0400

From: "mbolyai@yahoo.com" <mbolyai@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Melani Bolyai 617 FLorence Rd River Vale, NJ 07675

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:47:50 -0400

From: "burcht@matc.edu" <burcht@matc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I think the health of the related fisheries should be on the label or posted whereever fish are sold (markets and restaurants). A simple Grading scale A-D (assuming we would never allow harvesting a failing fishery - or would we?) would help inform consumers of the impact of their decisions.

Sincerely, Dr. Burch Tim Burch, Ph.D. 7466 S. 46th Franklin, WI 53132

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:47:40 -0400

From: "sessa1959@yahoo.com" <sessa1959@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, lisa frey 833 midland st #3 madison, WI 53715

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:47:30 -0400

From: "rdrori@hotmail.com" <rdrori@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rina Drori 8550 North Point Dr. Fox Point, WI 53217

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:47:20 -0400

From: "dwcooknb@aol.com" <dwcooknb@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sara and David W. Cook Jr. 18230 Hereford Lane Nassau Bay, TX 77058-3434

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:46:50 -0400

From: "catt-32@wildmail.com" <catt-32@wildmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Cassy Stone 5410 Greenwood Road Wonder Lake, IL 60097

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:46:40 -0400

From: "sarah whitman young@hotmail.com" <sarah whitman young@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sarah Young 2289 W. 11th, Apt 2 Cleveland, OH 44113

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:46:30 -0400

From: "hudathunkett@yahoo.com" <hudathunkett@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kevin Prendergast 11 Lockwood Dr. Waldwick, NJ 07463

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:46:20 -0400

From: "robinson@telcosolutions.com" <robinson@telcosolutions.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I have read that English scientists who monitor oxygen levels in ocean water have seen a long term decline -- very dangerous for the entire chain of life on earth.

To relax standards which protect the atmosphere, water and wildlife will only accelerate related trends which may become irreversible.

Sincerely, Harry T. Robinson 19 Ball Terrace Maplewood, NJ 07040

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:46:20 -0400

From: "henrybar@bellsouth.net" <henrybar@bellsouth.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Henry Barousse 1027 OAK HILLS PKWY Baton Rouge, LA 70810

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:46:10 -0400

From: "marilyn.r.olson@att.net" <marilyn.r.olson@att.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Marilyn Olson 1903 Thalia Court Valparaiso, IN 46383

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:45:50 -0400

From: "semedrew@hotmail.com" <semedrew@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans, and strengthen, not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Andrew Semegram 890 Tuliptree Court Mahwah, NJ 07430

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:44:59 -0400

From: "mustanglds@netscape.net" <mustanglds@netscape.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, lori sudduth 5017 4th St NW Canton, OH 44708

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:44:49 -0400

From: "dolphin36@astound.net" <dolphin36@astound.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Please do what is right for all, and help to ensure that what is at stake here is not over-shadowed by short-sided greed and ignorance.

Sincerely, Joel Kelly 845 1/2 14th Ave. So. St. Cloud, MN 56301

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:44:29 -0400

From: "jcoyne@icmarc.org" <jcoyne@icmarc.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

It makes no sense (except to those with a vested interest) to allow even more destruction of this vital resource.

Sincerely, Joan Coyne 4345 Embassy Park Drive NW Washington, DC 20016

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:44:29 -0400

From: "prvangin@wisc.edu" <prvangin@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Paul van Ginkel 4318 Somerset Lane Madison, WI 53711

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:44:19 -0400

From: "idbones@juno.com" <idbones@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, R Vincent Davis 11111 E 44th Terrace Kansas City, MO 64133

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:43:49 -0400

From: "mafaudree@columbus.rr.com" <mafaudree@columbus.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Oceans hold a legacy for ALL living creatures including HUMANS! It is time to realize that we are not the only creatures on this planet. This planet must survive in order for life to move forward. Detroying the ocean and ultimatly the earth is detroying the future of human existence! Sincerely, Marci Faudree 3303 Calumet St. Columbus, OH 43202

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:43:39 -0400 From: "arlo@mac.com" <arlo@mac.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Arlo Fishman 3010 Fruth Apt B Austin, TX 78705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:42:29 -0400

From: "tracker_46@hotmail.com" <tracker_46@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. As an avid fisherman, sailor, and surfer, I know how important the health of our ocean and our fish populations are.

Sincerely,

Kevin O'Brien 150 Kapaa Street Kailua, HI 96734

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:42:19 -0400

From: "chimera27@excite.com" <chimera27@excite.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rona Chang 14 St. Marks Place #1 Brooklyn, NY 11217

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:41:59 -0400

From: "anikow99@hotmail.com" <anikow99@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

It seems like every day I come across a news story or article commenting on the decline of coral reefs, large predator fish and the increasing pollution of the oceans of the world.

Again, please do not weaken existing regulations protecting our oceans and sea life. Perhaps it is time to look at passing more stringent legislation to protect our oceans!

Sincerely, Mary Anikow 239 Seventh St. #1 Jersey City, NJ 07302

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:41:59 -0400

From: "mikescott78751@yahoo.com" <mikescott78751@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Michael Scott 902 East 40th Street Austin, TX 78751

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:40:49 -0400

From: "john928@yahoo.com" <john928@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

John Veninger Hewitt, NJ John Veninger 32 Yardville Rd Hewitt, NJ 07421

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:40:18 -0400

From: "hreeps@ranneyschool.com" <hreeps@ranneyschool.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Heather Smith-Reeps 66 Oakland Street Red Bank, NJ 07701

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:39:48 -0400

From: "safahrenholz@wisc.edu" <safahrenholz@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sara Fahrenholz 222 E. Lakelawn Pl. #2 Madison, WI 53703

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:38:48 -0400

From: "claudia.johnson@bammit.com" <claudia.johnson@bammit.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.
Sincerely,
claudia johnson
3224 gettysburg ave
st. louis park, MN 55426

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:38:48 -0400

From: "schiles@stern.nyu.edu" <schiles@stern.nyu.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I especially urge you to strengthen the law to establish marine reserves and use an ecosystem protection approach to protecting our ever dwindling fish populations. And please ban trawling!

Sincerely,

Sarah Chiles Sarah Chiles 59 3rd Ave Atlantic Highlands, NJ 07716

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:38:48 -0400

From: "zimmermann@vivus.com" <zimmermann@vivus.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sandra Zimmermann 87 Illinois Avenue Waretown, NJ 08758

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:38:38 -0400

From: "krysdnite@hotmail.com" <krysdnite@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. As you well know, the sea is a resource that no one can afford to lose to neglect or abuse. These guidlines (Magnuson- Stevens Act) should be considered by all who give and receive from the world's source of life. Thank you very much for reading and considering this letter.

Sincerely, Kris Dennison Kris Dennison 2307 B Arpdale Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:38:18 -0400

From: "jstrassb@law.tulane.edu" <jstrassb@law.tulane.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

We need to protect our local fish and the health of the entire area is at stake.

Sincerely, Jaclyn Strassberg Jaclyn Strassberg 1238 Broadway Street New Orleans, LA 70118

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:37:58 -0400

From: "austin@momeni.com" <austin@momeni.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I ask you to please protect our oceans by not weakening existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, austin craley 136 brentwood drive mount laurel, NJ 08054

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:37:58 -0400

From: "nichols@denison.edu" <nichols@denison.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, William Nichols 17 Samson Place Granville, OH 43023

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:36:58 -0400

From: "sterling_haynes@ml.com" <sterling_haynes@ml.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sterling Haynes 6 Jimmy Court Franklin Twp, NJ 08873

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:36:37 -0400

From: "peter.mac@verizon.net" <peter.mac@verizon.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Peter Macholdt 117 West Prospect Street Hopewell, NJ 08525

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:36:27 -0400

From: "aailey23@aol.com" <aailey23@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Asher Ailey 1 River Court #1710 Jersey City, NJ 07310

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:36:07 -0400

From: "mauram7277@aol.com" <mauram7277@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I am very concerned about the poor state of our oceans, so I hope you'll take the opportunity to protect them when you are asked to comment on a draft report from the U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy. The final version of this report will shape a comprehensive policy for restoring the health of our threatened oceans. Please carefully review this draft and suggest that the Ocean Commission's final report to the President and Congress includes strong measures to protect our oceans.

Specifically, I encourage you to suggest these prescriptions for better ocean health:

- Protect fragile ocean habitats through the use of protected areas and other tools;
- Transform failing fisheries into sustainable ones to guarantee safe and abundant seafood;
- Reduce dead zones by curbing polluted runoff that creates lack of oxygen and kills marine life;
- Enforce conservation laws to protect ocean wildlife and essential ecosystems;
- Protect our shores from oil by maintaining a moratorium on offshore oil and gas drilling;
- Explore ocean ecosystems by doubling federal investment in ocean science, exploration and education over the next 5 years;
- Reform ocean management by coordinating the hodgepodge of laws and agencies responsible for ocean protection;
- Enact adequate safeguards on aquaculture sites to protect marine ecosystems.

If you have already taken action on behalf of the oceans and/or commented before the draft review came out, thank you!

I am deeply invested in the well-being of our oceans. A healthy marine environment is important to our economy, and gives my family, my friends and me a place to relax and have fun. Please help ensure the Ocean Commission's report protects our state by including the strongest possible protections for our nation's oceans and marine life.

Sincerely, Maura Moran 1292 Granfield Court Gahanna, OH 43230

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:35:47 -0400

From: "smurphy@metlife.com" <smurphy@metlife.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Susan Murphy 11 Hillside Ave Dumont, NJ 07628

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:35:17 -0400

From: "barb.ellerbeck@netzero.com" <barb.ellerbeck@netzero.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Please protect our oceans! Don't not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Barbara Ellerbeck barbara ellerbeck 10606 settlers trail austin, TX 78750

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:34:47 -0400

From: "svance@kleinisd.net" <svance@kleinisd.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. You learned how important it is to keep an ecosystem balanced when you were in school. So, please protect our ocean habitats. You have the power to make a positive difference.

Sincerely, Stacey Vance 12127 Broken Bow Pinehurst, TX 77362

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:34:07 -0400

From: "dmbapti@aol.com" <dmbapti@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans are overfished and polluted. I call on you to protect and "correct" the issue with our pristine oceans.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, D.M. Baptista P.O. Box 23158 Albuquerque, NM 87192

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:34:07 -0400

From: "dmbapti@aol.com" <dmbapti@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans are overfished and polluted. I call on you to protect and "correct" the issue with our pristine oceans.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, D.M. Baptista P.O. Box 23158 Albuquerque, NM 87192

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:33:17 -0400

From: "sam.jackson@acs-inc.com" <sam.jackson@acs-inc.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sam Jackson 1236 Evergreen Richardson, TX 75080

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:33:17 -0400

From: "AJSFan@aol.com" <AJSFan@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Carole Stewart 100 Cresskill Avenue Dumont, NJ 07628

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:33:06 -0400

From: "john.wiedemann@csfb.com" <john.wiedemann@csfb.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

John Wiedemann John Wiedemann 14 Ridge Trail Kinnelon, NJ 07405

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:32:46 -0400

From: "colleen.wright@providence.org" <colleen.wright@providence.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, colleen wright 3212 se 170th avenue portland, OR 97236

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:32:36 -0400

From: "wdocksta@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu" <wdocksta@blue.weeg.uiowa.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I have seen recent scientific reports stating that the United Kingdom may be in jeopardy of losing their present temperate climate. This is all interconnected, destroying habitats and ecosystems has very deliterious effects on the wildlife and human populations. PLEASE take time to safeguard what is left our oceanic environment. Thank you for you time.

Sincerely, Wendie Dockstader 725 Walnut Street Iowa City, IA 52240

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:32:06 -0400

From: "earthtree@earthlink.net" <earthtree@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Randall Brady 812 Jennifer Lane Driftwood, TX 78619

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:30:56 -0400

From: "beandrek@earthlink.net" <beandrek@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Eugene Kronmiller 2216 6th St. W. Billings, MT 59102

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:30:56 -0400

From: "joozy1@optonline.net" <joozy1@optonline.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Joanne Ozeransky 6 Emmons Court Bridgewater, NJ 08807

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:30:26 -0400

From: "bmertig@earthlink.net" <bmertig@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Barbara Mertig 11025 Vista Del Sol #2132 El Paso, TX 79935-4325

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:30:16 -0400

From: "icemarnier@aol.com" <icemarnier@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

It's past time to be concerned about our beautiful planet that God has given us. We need to start treating it with respect. We need to stop trashing our environment and treat it with love and care so it will be able to continue to give to us in return. For our future, we need to protect our planet NOW!

Sincerely, Dede Cassis 4500 Staunton Ave SE Charleston, WV 25304

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:30:06 -0400

From: "bttyprmn@stratos.net" <bttyprmn@stratos.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Those guidelines are not strong enough now to protect the populace... the financial and health costs are incalculable, if some improvements are not made soon.

Sincerely, Elizabeth M. Poorman Elizabeth Poorman 8070 S. Gannett Rd Sagamorel Hills, OH 44067-1776

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:28:35 -0400

From: "barbwills@columbus.rr.com" <barbwills@columbus.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Instead these guidelines should be strengthened. We must protect our earth and all its natural habitats as we are ALL stewards of it.

Sincerely, Barbara Wills 3792 Riverwatch Ln Columbus, OH 43221

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:28:05 -0400 From: "ktcass@att.net" <ktcass@att.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, catherine cass 10 n. oak ct madison, NJ 07940

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:27:35 -0400

From: "jareha@hotmail.com" <jareha@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jonathan Horak Phase 1, Apt 1112 / 4700 E Riverside Dr Austin, TX 78741

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:27:25 -0400

From: "chippyao@mac.com" <chippyao@mac.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Anna Owsley 2233 N Alabama St. Indianapolis, IN 46205

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:27:05 -0400

From: "eikehbarthel@yahoo.com" <eikehbarthel@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Eike Barthel 156 B Spruce Street Princeton, NJ 08542

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:26:45 -0400

From: "tracy@nmrwa.org" <tracy@nmrwa.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Business must commit to stewardship of our resources.

Sincerely, Tracy Svanda 1321 6th NW Albuquerque, NM 87102

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:26:45 -0400

From: "sandra@genome.wisc.edu" <sandra@genome.wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Today's actions will have an impact of a lifetime or more on the oceans habitat and wildlife. Let's treat it like the national treasure it is!

Sincerely, Sandra Splinter BonDurant Sandra Splinter BonDurant 206 Tyler Circle Madison, WI 53716

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:25:55 -0400

From: "enjaysweet@aol.com" <enjaysweet@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Norma Raymond 203 Larkwood Dr. San Antonio, TX 78209

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:25:45 -0400

From: "kim.giordano@aventis.com" <kim.giordano@aventis.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kim Beth Giordano 17 Walker Ave. Succasunna, NJ 07876

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:25:45 -0400

From: "cemouck@yahoo.com" <cemouck@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We need a strong marine ecosystem to sustain our healthy life.

Sincerely, Carrie Mouck Carrie Mouck 1021 Roma NW Albuquerque, NM 87102

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:25:04 -0400

From: "louis.kelsch@eudoramail.com" <louis.kelsch@eudoramail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, louis kelsch 3034 yorkshire rd cleve, OH 44118

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:24:14 -0400

From: "j.olin@mchsi.com" <j.olin@mchsi.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jeri Olin 4185 S. Redtail Trail Gold Canyon, AZ 85218

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:24:04 -0400

From: "JDJenkins@att.net" <JDJenkins@att.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jean J 3 Snow Ave. Binghamton, NY 13905

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:24:04 -0400

From: "magicbikes@hotmail.com" <magicbikes@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mike Blahut 1123 Maxwell Av Ames, IA 50010

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:23:54 -0400

From: "rbgold@optonline.net" <rbgold@optonline.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rebecca Gold 76 Bellvale Road Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:23:54 -0400

From: "rbgold@optonline.net" <rbgold@optonline.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rebecca Gold 76 Bellvale Road Mountain Lakes, NJ 07046

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:23:54 -0400

From: "joe_delarosa@hotmail.com" <joe_delarosa@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Joseph Ortiz 12 Deer Run Drive High Bridge, NJ 08829

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:23:34 -0400

From: "avqueen7@aol.com" <avqueen7@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Karen Ayn Louis 1365 Belleview Court Plainfield, NJ 07060

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:23:14 -0400

From: "jlaflamme2002@comcast.net" < jlaflamme2002@comcast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jeff LaFlamme 100 Principe de Paz Santa Fe, NM 87508

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:23:04 -0400

From: "waken@wildmail.com" <waken@wildmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

The best scientists in the US and abroad, including many Nobel prize winners tell us that the loss of biodiversity is the greatest threat we face. The oceans harbor much of the life on our planet. For this reason, they must be protected from overfishing, the catch of non-target species and habitat destruction.

Your leadership in this matter is very important. Let your descendents be proud of your legacy. We are all counting on you.

Sincerely, Anna Jacus 1106-B N. Stiles St. Linden, NJ 07036

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:22:34 -0400

From: "peterl@onlinefarmer.com" <peterl@onlinefarmer.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans as strongly as possible, and to strengthen, not weaken, existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We must protect the ecological interests of future generations, as we are their only voice in the present - please speak for them with all the passion you would for your own children's interests.

Sincerely, Peter Lewis 4704 Regent St., Apt. 44A Madison, WI 53705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:22:04 -0400

From: "slan7@webtv.net" <slan7@webtv.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

With the great increase in maritime shipping traffic due to advent of container ships, and the accompanying pollution and transmigration of harmful non-native species; like the aquatic plant that is ruining the ecology of the Mediterranean, we need to rethink our use and treatment of our Oceans as habitat, instead of an inert medium of Commerce.

For decades the Japanese and others have utilized ruinous fishing methods, that needlssly destroy species whose corpses are thrown back into the ocean as waste, and the damage caused by these these harmful practices is multiplied by the fact that they and others, habitually and continually exceed the limits that they have agreed to with International regulating bodies.

The increasing encroachment of oil production facilities at or in the seas/oceans is portrayed by the ouil companies as promoting aquatic health. If you would go to the shores of Prudhomme Bay, as a team did for PBS, you would find, by turnig over rocks on the beaches, that they conceal a thick black residue of viscous crude oil, ten years after the EXXON Valdez spill and "cleanup".

Did I mention the death of coral reefs, worldwide, and the Zebra mussel in the Great lakes?

Please consider the fact, that with the continuing population growthm, water is already at a critical point. Unless we want to save ourselves the trouble and expense of going to Mars by creating its lifeless duplicate here, we need to act Sincerely, Glen Binkley 7631 Wastler RD. Clayton, OH 45315-8972

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:21:44 -0400

From: "gschneider@kasdorf.com" <gschneider@kasdorf.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, GLORIA SCHNEIDERMCCOY W71 N659 HARRISON AVENUE CEDARBURG, WI 53012

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:21:34 -0400

From: "dhogue@buckeye-express.com" <dhogue@buckeye-express.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, David Hogue 1295 Harmony Dr Wadsworth, OH 44281

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:21:23 -0400

From: "scottkalar@hotmail.com" <scottkalar@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Scott Kalar 10801 Old Manchaca Rd 1311 Austin, TX 78748

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:21:13 -0400

From: "dougkayusa@netscape.net" <dougkayusa@netscape.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Douglas Harkins 10208 Scarborough Rd Bloomington, MN 55437

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:20:33 -0400

From: "audreymartin@wisc.edu" <audreymartin@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:20:13 -0400

From: "bhanya@yahoo.com" <bhanya@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our oceans already no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destructin, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans. If anything, existing fish habitat regulations should be strengthened, not weakened.

Sincerely, Brianna Tindall 228 Sunset Ridge Dr. League City, TX 77573

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:20:03 -0400

From: "lowryd@hrdc4.havre.mt.us" <lowryd@hrdc4.havre.mt.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Between oil spills and illegal dumping of chemicals and wastes into the ocean the destructin to their habitat is already considerable. Please do not allow this outrage to occur. If something isn't done to protect what is left we could be facing shortages in our edible fish supply.

Sincerely, Diane Lowry 516 Tenth Street Havre, MT 59501

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:19:53 -0400

From: "eedeed13@yahoo.com" <eedeed13@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Dee Conaway Dee Conaway 99 N. Cooper Rd. # 159 Chandler, AZ 85225

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:19:23 -0400

From: "waynekins@hotmail.com" <waynekins@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Fisheries everywhere are in deep decline and, for some it may too late... the damage from greed cannot be undone. As someone who lives in Oregon, I have spent much time on the Pacific coast and have seen firsthand the desolation and despair in once thriving fishing towns and villages along our coast. Everywhere, fishermen and their families tell the same story; their way of life has changed forever. Not so long ago they would go out in their boats and return with a good day's catch ensuring their familie's livelihood. Now they could fish from dawn to dusk and hardly catch anything.

It is essential that we strengthen the laws to protect our oceans and the coastal towns that depend upon them before nothing is left but a big pool of water devoid of any life.

Please do not give in to the wishes of corporate abusers of our natural resources who only care about reporting profits to their shareholders and damn the consequences of their greedy and shortsighted actions.

Sincerely, Wayne Kelly 1257 Siskiyou Blvd, #1133 Ashland, OR 97520-2241

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:19:12 -0400

From: "markwensel@hotmail.com" <markwensel@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mark Wensel 806 Newman Dr. Austin, TX 78703

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:19:02 -0400

From: "mequinn@sbcglobal.net" <mequinn@sbcglobal.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mary Quinn 5209 NE Holiday Dr Lees Summit, MO 64064

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:18:42 -0400

From: "sandral@stlsociety.org" <sandral@stlsociety.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sandy Lynn 7631 Lynn Ave. St. Louis, MO 63130

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:18:42 -0400

From: "echorush@houston.rr.com" <echorush@houston.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Evelyn Chorush 2821 Saint Street Houston, TX 77027

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:18:42 -0400

From: "apounds@lps.org" <apounds@lps.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Arda Pounds 5110 Madison Ave Lincoln, NE 68504

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:18:32 -0400

From: "fduggan@worldwidedreams.com" <fduggan@worldwidedreams.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Frances Duggan 102 Ilford Avenue North Arlington, NJ 07031

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:17:52 -0400

From: "calebscorner@toast.net" <calebscorner@toast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ali Boraby 2085 S Kennison Dr Toledo, OH 43609

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:17:42 -0400 From: "tezza1@cox.net" <tezza1@cox.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Terry Lea 13834 Clifton Blvd #3 Lakewood, OH 44107

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:17:02 -0400

From: "dmalsky@earthlink.net" <dmalsky@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Diana Malsky 100 Wild Orchid Lane Afton, VA 22920

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:16:52 -0400

From: "cchwang@umich.edu" <cchwang@umich.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Our oceans are in trouble and they need the strongest possible protections, regardless of the pull from special interests. The ocean exists as a cyclic ecosystem, and protection should concentrate on habitat.

Sincerely, Carolyn Hwang 900 Oakland Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:16:52 -0400

From: "JerDuncanson@hotmail.com" < JerDuncanson@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Existing protections are inadequate to maintain the bounty once so plentiful or to safeguard benificial resources yet unknown.

Additionally, global stewardship of global community resources is immeasureably harmed when a leading nation sets a negative course

Sincerely, J L Duncanson 2802 Wilson Menomonie, WI 54751

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:16:42 -0400

From: "danabuckley@hotmail.com" <danabuckley@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Buckley MacInerney 1125 CR 3271W Mt Enterprise, TX 75681

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:16:42 -0400

From: "tucker henson@yahoo.com" < tucker henson@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Tucker Henson 5104 Caswell Ave. Austin, TX 78751

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:16:12 -0400

From: "cestearn@indiana.edu" <cestearn@indiana.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Celia Stearns 8921 E Sail Away Ln Unionville, IN 47468

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:15:21 -0400

From: "wonereheb@mailcity.com" <wonereheb@mailcity.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kevin Zellmer 2975 N Prospect Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53211

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:15:21 -0400

From: "jsthorne@starpower.net" <jsthorne@starpower.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Specifically, I hope you will to resist pressure to weaken the Magnuson-Stevens Act -- a vital tool in protecting marine habitat. Furthermore, I urge you to take steps to strengthen the conservation provisions of the Act by giving greater consideration to ecosystem impacts when establishing fish catch levels, eliminating overfishing of all species, and ending bottom trawling.

The oceans represent an important and unique source of healthy and nutritous food in addition to their innate value as a diverse ecosystem. Let's make sure we protect and sustain the oceans and their bounty for generations to come.

Thank you for your consideration on this issue.

Sincerely, Jennifer Thorne 1601 Argonne Pl, NW #111 Washington, DC 20009

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:15:01 -0400

From: "phaedrus@access.mountain.net" <phaedrus@access.mountain.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We have in the past misued the oceans as garbage dumps, overfished them, and generally abused what we now know to be an essential part of our habitat, both for us and the sea creatures. Again, please stand firmly in protecting the oceans.

Sincerely, Myrna Fox 588 Breakiron Hill Road Morgantown, WV 26508

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:15:01 -0400

From: "juliestagg@hotmail.com" <juliestagg@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Please remember when making policy that, "We did not inherent the earth, we are borrowing it from our children." I have two beautiful little girls and I want them, and their great-great-great (etc) grandchildren to be able to live in a clean and bountiful world, with a rich diversity of life and ecosystems. We cannot continue to pillage our oceans without paying the consequences. Please resist the urge to be swayed by current economic/power/political interests at the expense of our earth and future generations who will inhabit it.

Sincerely, Julie Stagg, RN Julie Stagg 6900 Priscilla Austin, TX 78752

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:14:51 -0400

From: "kerul@newleafsystems.com" < kerul@newleafsystems.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kerul Kassel 1 Short Ave. Montvale, NJ 07645

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:14:51 -0400

From: "jmbernd@charter.net" <jmbernd@charter.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, John Bernd 3624 Lorraine Street Stevens Point, WI 54481

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:14:41 -0400

From: "david.yount@mcmail.maricopa.edu" <david.yount@mcmail.maricopa.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Dave Yount 920 N Rock St Gilbert, AZ 85234

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:14:01 -0400

From: "Taranto@Dartmouth.edu" <Taranto@Dartmouth.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Nicholas Taranto 8 Summer St. Hanover, NH 03755

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:13:51 -0400 From: "jch@strayer.edu" <jch@strayer.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Please protect our oceans and do not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jessica Hinds 30 rachel drive Nashville, TN 37214

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:13:31 -0400

From: "andrea.szczepankiewicz@mortgagefamily.com" <andrea.szczepankiewicz@mortgagefamily.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Andrea Szczepankiewicz 708 Smithville Road Southampton, NJ 08088

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:13:21 -0400

From: "luvboox@yahoo.com" < luvboox@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Michel Freeman 414 W. Pinr St. St. Peter, MN 56082

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:13:11 -0400

From: "ed45yrs@aol.com" <ed45yrs@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Elaine Dawson elaine dawson 41 Halifax dr. morganville, NJ 07751

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:13:01 -0400

From: "cadler11@comcast.net" <cadler11@comcast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I ask that you work to:

- reduce the dead zones by curbing toxic runoff;
- protect our shores and wildlife from offshore drilling activities;
- enforce existing conservation laws to protect the ocean ecosystems;
- help through regulations to revive the fishing stock; and
- invest more money into research directing towards understanding and improved management our oceans.

Sincerely, Connie Adler 2616 Harvest Lane NW Albuquerque, NM 87104

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:12:41 -0400

From: "lynncheatum@sbcglobal.net" <lynncheatum@sbcglobal.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

It has come to my attention that the corporations which want to excavate and do other disruptive activities on the ocean floors have persuaded our government to propose a bill which would do away with many of the whildlife protections which have been in place.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Lynn Cheatum 520 E. 61st Street Kansas City, MO 64110

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:12:40 -0400

From: "margeincharge@hotmail.com" <margeincharge@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Margaret Larson 525 Iowa Ave #2 Iowa City, IA 52240

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:12:10 -0400

From: "pauldouglas@lucent.com" <pauldouglas@lucent.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Paul Douglas 1370 Tullo Rd. Martinsville, NJ 08836

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:12:10 -0400

From: "barrysimrun@hotmail.com" <barrysimrun@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ann Lerner 5529 N. Fairfax Dr. Arlington, VA 22205

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:11:30 -0400

From: "simmons7@bellsouth.net" <simmons7@bellsouth.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, C. M. Simmons C.M. Simmons P. O. Box 273 Ellendale, TN 38029

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:11:10 -0400

From: "lizlaw@webtv.net" < lizlaw@webtv.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Lawson 404 Prosperity Court Toms River, NJ 08755

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:10:40 -0400

From: "gregbubbleboy@aol.com" < gregbubbleboy@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Greg Tompkins 3352 S. Delaware Ave. Milwaukee, WI 53207

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:10:30 -0400

From: "72rawlings@cua.edu" <72rawlings@cua.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We can't allow the majority of our planet's habitat to become desolate and unpopulated!

Sincerely, Claire Rawlings 1725 Toomey Road #110 Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:10:20 -0400

From: "ferrell11@yahoo.com" < ferrell11@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Stephanie Frizzell 5444 Peterson #1023 Dallas, TX 75240

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:10:00 -0400

From: "polson@beckman.com" <polson@beckman.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Clearly there is scientific data and growing concernt to support protecting our oceans as indicated in the following excerpt from the Minneapolis Star and Tribune, April 21,2004.

"The U.S. Commission on Ocean Policy, the first federal commission on oceans in 35 years, released a 400-page report calling on President Bush and Congress to pass legislation establishing a national policy that balances economic development of oceans and coasts with the need to protect ecosystems verging on collapse.

"Our oceans and coasts are in trouble," said retired Adm. James Watkins, the commission's chairman. "We as a nation have a historic opportunity to make a positive and lasting change in the way we manage them before it's too late." The federal commission, which spent three years working on the report and heard testimony from 440 scientists and other experts, recommended that ocean territories be managed based on ecosystems, which cross political boundaries. One of the commission's chief criticisms of current ocean management is that it tackles issues crisis by crisis with no overarching plan. Responsibility for ocean policy is divided among 14 federal agencies, and dozens of state and local agencies make decisions that directly affect coastal areas".

Please help protect our oceans as for future generations.

Sincerely, Pat Olson 4360 Bayside Rd. Maple Plain, MN 55359

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:09:50 -0400

From: "knusekabel@hntb.com" <knusekabel@hntb.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kent Nusekabel 3860 Meyerfeld Cincinnati, OH 45211

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:09:40 -0400

From: "annie@mopsey.net" <annie@mopsey.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Why oh why would we want to weaken the protective laws? For what? For some environmentally non-caring company to get away with more? Make more money? Destroy more of our environment?

It makes no sense to weaken ANY environmental laws or protections, in fact the opposite it true.

Please do not allow the current money obsessed (their own personal fortunes, not America's) administration destroy what we've been working so hard to preserve.

Sincerely, AnnMarie Wilson 420 Santa Rosa Garland, TX 75043

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:09:10 -0400

From: "katz@idcnet.com" <katz@idcnet.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I have talked to many people who are Divers who say the fish that used to habitat many areas are no longer there or in much smaller numbers. Large mature fish are disappearing at an alarming rate. We need stronger guidelines for it appears the ones we have now are not working.

Sincerely, Paul Jhona 259 N Fremont Whitewater, WI 53190

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:09:00 -0400

From: "ldokken1@ecb.state.wi.us" <ldokken1@ecb.state.wi.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Linda Dokken 6110 Wood Crossing McFarland, WI 53558

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:07:59 -0400

From: "aphillips@campplan.utah.edu" <aphillips@campplan.utah.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Almost daily, we hear of new ways our insensitive actions are destroying the oceans and it's inhabitants. There are no protections too stringent to pass or keep in effect.

Please do not weaken essential, existing fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Archie Phillips 534 East Ramona Avenue Salt Lake City, UT 84105

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:06:39 -0400

From: "economicdev@pccreative.com" <economicdev@pccreative.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Rest assured that as a diligent voter, grassroots organizer and taxpayer I will work with my fellow neighbors to compel local, state and federal elected officials during election time and at moments of critical evaluations and appointments to take note your environmental record and those that work in concert with you.

The residents of St. Louis are watching you, please don't let us down.

Sincerely, Brandon Sterling 2408 McLaran Ave. St. Louis, MO 63136

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:05:59 -0400

From: "mudgee@xprs.net" <mudgee@xprs.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Bill Hupe 47789 Township Road 198 Coshocton, OH 43812

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:05:49 -0400

From: "dontpanicu@aol.com" <dontpanicu@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Pamela Coburn 6212 Portola Las Vegas, NV 89108

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:05:39 -0400

From: "nj.rimassa@cox.net" <nj.rimassa@cox.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

i ask you to look ahead to the future and help to protect the world that all of us stand upon. Our existence as a species is dependent upon continuing to protect marine environment.

Cordially, Nancy Rimassa Nancy Rimassa 2737 Winding Creek Circle Norman, OK 73071

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:05:29 -0400

From: "pfsiri@ligtel.com" <pfsiri@ligtel.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Pat Siri 503 S Cavin St Ligonier, IN 46767

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:05:19 -0400

From: "Darlenebayview@aol.com" < Darlenebayview@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

The diminishing health of our oceans must be actively attended to, or they, and thus we, are in dire danger. This is not something we can turn our backs on and hope things will work out alright. They won't.

Sincerely, Darlene Bass 26800 Ted Hunt Roaad Los Fresnos, TX 78566

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:04:59 -0400

From: "region6.cri@srcharitycinti.org" <region6.cri@srcharitycinti.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ruth Kuhn 163 Anderson Ferry Road Cincinnati, OH 45238

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:04:29 -0400

From: "jpax77@hotmail.com" <jpax77@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I believe it is important to preserve our marine fish habitat for future generations. Do not be swayed by arguments to sacrifice environmental concerns for any temporary benefits it may provide for commercial interest.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, John-Paxton Gremillion 1910 East Side Drive Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:04:29 -0400

From: "princessoath@hotmail.com" <princessoath@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sarahelizabeth Bennett 3301 Monroe Ave. NE Q176 Albuquerque, NM 87110

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:04:09 -0400

From: "laurianl@yahoo.com" < laurianl@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sister Laurian Lasha Sister Laurian Lasha 620 Summit Ave Crookston, MN 56716

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:03:19 -0400

From: "kerrygk@yahoo.com" <kerrygk@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Many of the guidlines need to be strengthened. Additionally, please actively support funding more research on how fishing effects the stocks of fish in terms of reproduction, numbers and size distribution.

Sincerely, Kerry Griffis-Kyle 45 Bear Springs Rd Cloudcroft, NM 88317

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:02:49 -0400

From: "biesse@earthlink.net" <biesse@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Larry Theobald 1628 W. Willis Avenue Sioux City, IA 51103

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:02:19 -0400

From: "cdgaines@yahoo.com" <cdgaines@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

As a avid fisherman in the coastal waters of Texas and the Gulf of Mexico, I am very concerned about the conditions of our oceans. Our precious oceans need to be protected so that they can provide a sustainable source of income and economic development for the citizens of the world

Sincerely,

Chris Maxwell-Gaines Chris Maxwell-Gaines 2901 Barton Skyway #3403 Austin, TX 78746

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:01:39 -0400 From: "jlaing@wt.net" <jlaing@wt.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, John Laing 10613 Sierra Oaks Austin, TX 78759

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:01:19 -0400

From: "yuliana001@yahoo.com" <yuliana001@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Yuliana Ng 4859 Sheboygan Ave #322 Madison, WI 53705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:01:09 -0400

From: "michaellohmiller@yahoo.com" <michaellohmiller@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Michael Lohmiller 32 Birch St Lowell, MA 01852

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:00:49 -0400

From: "CoetaMills@aol.com" <CoetaMills@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Coeta Mills 12612 Sunglow Dallas, TX 75234

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:00:29 -0400

From: "kelseybrandt0916@MSN.com" <kelseybrandt0916@MSN.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kelsey Brandt 2141 South 500 East Salt Lake City, UT 84106

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:00:19 -0400

From: "type@rabbitrepro.com" <type@rabbitrepro.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Paula Haynes 8727 Lullwater Dallas, TX 75238

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 14:00:19 -0400 From: "sals@mail.com" <sals@mail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sally Stafford 1302 W 24th St #301 Austin, TX 78705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:59:29 -0400

From: "claudette.rushing@fmr.com" <claudette.rushing@fmr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Claudette Rushing 1813 Ida Street Arlington, TX 76010

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:59:29 -0400

From: "swelch3@lsu.edu" <swelch3@lsu.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Stephanie Welch 823 South Eugene St Baton Rouge, LA 70806

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:59:19 -0400

From: "sdubray207@msn.com" <sdubray207@msn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Each generation of people on Earth need to do what is right, not wrong, for our oceans. The majority of those of us here now, should choose to make the right choices for healthy oceans. Please help!

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sally DuBray 3660 Grand Ave unit 720 Des Moines, IA 50312

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:59:09 -0400

From: "saturdayschild@comcast.net" <saturdayschild@comcast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Linda Larson 204 South Downey Ave Independence, MO 64056

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:59:09 -0400

From: "madiganr002@hawaii.rr.com" <madiganr002@hawaii.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Raymond Madigan 1963A Wilhelmina Rise Honolulu, HI 96816

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:58:39 -0400

From: "dr_kipper@hotmail.com" <dr_kipper@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kevin Stohlman 12200 FM 3005 Galveston, TX 77554

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:58:09 -0400

From: "amanda.conklin@purchase.edu" <amanda.conklin@purchase.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, amanda conklin 3380 mohegan ave mohegan lake, NY 10547

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:57:59 -0400

From: "kenhayes50@hotmail.com" <kenhayes50@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ken Hayes 500 E Riverside Dr Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:57:49 -0400

From: "rlewis@bowlinginc.com" <rlewis@bowlinginc.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

You are in a position to create a healthier planet through accepting responsibility of stewardship of our oceans. Please look from the higher perspective of nurturing the Earth as She nurtures us -- in short, return the favor!

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ralph Lewis 2300 E. Marion Shorewood, WI 53211

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:57:49 -0400

From: "Dbrhbarber@aol.com" < Dbrhbarber@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Deborah Barber 1318 8th Street Des Moines, IA 50314

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:56:49 -0400

From: "kschwartz@hvc.rr.com" <kschwartz@hvc.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans.

NMFS should not give in to special interests working to weaken existing ocean protections.

Sincerely, Norman Schwartz 3 Martha's court Saugerties, NY 12477

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:56:39 -0400

From: "sulphone@aol.com" <sulphone@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Budalur Thyagarajan 6119 Amble Trail San Antonio, TX 78249

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:56:29 -0400

From: "dehoffert@wisc.edu" <dehoffert@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, David Hoffert 1025 Wilkinson Chadbourne, 420 N. Park St., Madiso Madison, WI 53706-1489

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:56:19 -0400

From: "glennalexander@hotmail.com" <glennalexander@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Glenn Alexander 121 Craddock Ave., Apt. 623 San Marcos, TX 78666

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:55:39 -0400

From: "karuna921@yahoo.com" <karuna921@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

The significant depletion of pcean wildlife habitat on a global scale is alarming and can only be stopped with a vigorous policy to protect these resources.

Please to all you can to help ensure that the oceans of today will not become the wastelands of tomorrow.

Sincerely,

Sara Cosson 2230 F Citron St. Honolulu, HI 96826

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:55:29 -0400

From: "louisogden@worldnet.att.net" <louisogden@worldnet.att.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Louis Ogden 12042 Chatham Road Hopewell, VA 23860

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:54:19 -0400

From: "danguilbeault@hotmail.com" <danguilbeault@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Dan Guilbeault 1831 E. Lafayette Pl. Apt J Milwaukee, WI 53202

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:54:09 -0400

From: "jonathan@dcsma.org" <jonathan@dcsma.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Thre seems to be a trend in Washington lately towards weakening environmental protections, despite scientific evidence that they should be strenghtened.

Sincerely, Jonathan Krall 3132 8th St North Arlington, VA 22201

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:53:39 -0400

From: "lookformehere@hotmail.com" <lookformehere@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Already our planetary supply of fish has been badly depleted thanks to overfishing by the U.S., Japan and other nations. If we don't do something to STRENGTHEN our fishing laws and regulations then we'll all be eating nothing but soybeans 20 years from now. Not only are we risking our human future, but an entire ecosystem which is now at the mercy of greedy fishing industries looking to turn an even larger profit.

Think about the future generations of humans - your children's children. A bit more restraint now will ensure a healthier future for all of us. I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mary C. Eldred Mary Eldred 258 Warren St. N.E. Washington, DC 20002

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:53:39 -0400

From: "rittr@adelphia.net" <rittr@adelphia.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Give our grandchildren and yours a chance to enjoy fishing and all of us to be able to continue to include fish in our diet.

Sincerely, Ritt Rousseau 7583 Brigham Rd. Gates Mills, OH 44040

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:53:09 -0400

From: "rlbobrussell@hotmail.com" <rlbobrussell@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Bob Russell 1804 Brackenridge Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:51:29 -0400

From: "redou001@tc.umn.edu" <redou001@tc.umn.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I have a student here at the University of Minnesota who has informed me of the damage over fishing has done and the way trawlers have put many coastal fisherman out of busines.

The effects of this will be felt not only in the present time but in years to come. The student who is studying this understands. I am afraid that the majority of Americans and young men and women his age, especially, have no idea what we are in for, in the future, if we don't respect our planet now.

Sincerely, Karolyn Redoutey 3844 17th Ave S Minneapolis, MN 55407

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:51:09 -0400

From: "ravepeace@hotmail.com" <ravepeace@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Crystal Perkins Crystal Perkins 940 Aspen Drive DeSoto, TX 75115

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:50:49 -0400

From: "amyratcliff35@hotmail.com" <amyratcliff35@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:50:39 -0400

From: "ccsmith@cox-internet.com" <ccsmith@cox-internet.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I am a conservative voter and nature lover, and have myself observed negative changes in the waters of the oceans we visit. Positive results are quite evident when action is taken toward preserving our resources. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely, Molly Smith Molly Smith 822 Millard Dr. Nacogdoches, TX 75965

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:49:59 -0400

From: "scottfrey@mac.com" <scottfrey@mac.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, D. Scott Frey 226 Koster st Madison, WI 53713

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:49:59 -0400

From: "bassbrain@aol.com" <bassbrain@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I know that certain special interests are working to get the Bush administration to weaken ocean protections. For the good of humanity and the planet, this cannot be allowed to happen.

I urge you to stand firm in opposition to this effort. Essential fish habitat must be protected in order to ensure healthy fish populations to continue and grow. Our oceans must be protected against the increasing assaults of over-fishing, habitat destruction and poor management.

Sincerely, Barbara Wold 8522 Flower Place NE Albuquerque, NM 87112

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:49:39 -0400

From: "jessieh2@uwm.edu" <jessieh2@uwm.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The oceans are our lifeline and they are not renewable. We need to protect them while we can so that they (and their inhabitants) will be around for generations to come. Who are we to be so careless?

Sincerely,

Jessie Heydt-nelson 3950 N Farwell, #405 Shorewood, WI 53211

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:48:49 -0400

From: "christadailey@hotmail.com" <christadailey@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Christa Dailey 3630 Burldean Dr Paducah, KY 42001

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:48:39 -0400

From: "rschoedler@earthlink.net" <rschoedler@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Randolph Schoedler 3709 W. Michigan St. Milwaukee, WI 53208

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:47:59 -0400

From: "rigmorales@hotmail.com" <rigmorales@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Morales Dorothy Morales 679 Mayer Dr Mansfield, OH 44907

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:47:49 -0400 From: "jknox@sanc.org" <jknox@sanc.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I sure hope the recent news regarding our oceans in a greater state of crisis then previously believed will prompt you to take action to protect our oceans which are so important to the health of our country and economy. Please protect our oceans so they are viable for the future and do not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Jessy Knox

Jessy Knox 10442 W. Dean Rd. Milwaukee, WI 53224

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:47:39 -0400

From: "mgutzsc@hotmail.com" <mgutzsc@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Once the sea life is gone, how are you going to get it back?

Sincerely, Mary Gutzwiller 831 Neeb Rd #4 Cincinnati, OH 45233

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:47:29 -0400

From: "rnettles@bootheel.net" < rnettles@bootheel.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Judith Nettles 9637 Highway 60 W Poplar Bluff, MO 63901

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:46:49 -0400

From: "susan.mcguinness@tiscali.fr" <susan.mcguinness@tiscali.fr>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Susan McGuinness 780 Cricket Road Lake Charles, LA 70605

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:46:19 -0400

From: "lliiddzz123@yahoo.com" <lliiddzz123@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Andrew Hupp 1033 Fairlawn Avenue Newark, OH 43055

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:46:09 -0400

From: "daskuvich@hotmail.com" <daskuvich@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, David Askuvich 402 S. Midvale Blvd Madison, WI 53711

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:45:49 -0400

From: "jessica.ollis@case.edu" <jessica.ollis@case.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jessica Ollis 12620 Deer Creek Dr. #206 North Royalton, OH 44133

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:45:39 -0400

From: "stephla@dhfs.state.wi.us" <stephla@dhfs.state.wi.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans, not only for the wildlife within them, but to protect the livelihoods of many Americans who count on the ocean's bounty (dimished as it is) for their sustanence. Please do not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Laura Stephenson 142 Talmadge St #2 Madison, WI 53704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:45:39 -0400

From: "cheo@cybermesa.com" <cheo@cybermesa.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans. The loss of critical ocean resources is already occuring at a devistating pace. Let us begin to take measures to reverse this crime by acting in support of sustainable ocean resources rather than continue to act against them. Please do not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Barbara Martinez Barbara Martinez P.O. Box 2811 Taos, NM 87571

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:45:29 -0400

From: "chwong75@yahoo.com" <chwong75@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, jason wong 717 eastgate ave saint louis, MO 63130

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:45:29 -0400

From: "abby@acudance.co.uk" <abby@acudance.co.uk>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Abby Dance 5 Clarendon Villas Brighton and Hove, bn3 3rd

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:45:18 -0400

From: "lemick@juno.com" <lemick@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. At least two major studies have concluded that major steps are needed to preserve fisheries and maintain the integrity of the ocean ecosystems. It is time to act.

Sincerely, Lawrence Mick 3103 Observation Trail Dayton, OH 45449

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:44:28 -0400

From: "txtoto@hotmail.com" <txtoto@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. This is a very important issue to me, my family and our friends.

Sincerely, Michele McCormick P.O. Box 43 Lyons, TX 77863

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:44:08 -0400

From: "Latkejew@yahoo.com" <Latkejew@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mikael Steinberg 2420 S. Voss Rd #M-205 Houston, TX 77057

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:43:38 -0400

From: "louie louie14@hotmail.com" <louie louie14@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Luthien Niland Madison, WI Luthien Niland 420 North Park street Madison, WI 53706

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:43:28 -0400

From: "tmatlin@nvbell.net" <tmatlin@nvbell.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The oceans tell the health of our planet, please protect them.

Sincerely, Thelma Matlin Thelma Matlin 4755 Bradford Lane Reno, NV 89509

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:43:28 -0400

From: "bmsundal@wisc.edu" <bmsundal@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Brianna Sundal 716 W. Dayton St. #1151 Madison, WI 53706

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:42:58 -0400

From: "lane_andress@nmenv.state.nm.us" <lane_andress@nmenv.state.nm.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

The oceans are a whole different world than the land-lubber human world. We have no right to destroy their ecosystems and kill the inhabitants for our greed. Human population is out of control, more fish are consumed by more people as a result. This does NOT constitute a good excuse to harvest even more (often in devastating ways) from the already stressed oceans. Money can not replace the diversity and delicate balance that are being upset.

I believe it is imperative to protect our oceans and essential fish habitat, no exceptions.

Sincerely, Lane Andress 506 Ranchitos Rd NW Albuquerque, NM 87114

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:42:48 -0400

From: "amaramah1@yahoo.com" <amaramah1@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Amara Mahdhuri 727 Galisteo St. #3 Santa Fe, NM 87505

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:42:38 -0400

From: "karlovecj@yahoo.com" <karlovecj@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jerry Karlovec 1098 Lincoln Road Columbus, OH 43212

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:42:28 -0400

From: "a blaster@hotmail.com" <a blaster@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Ocean habitats, which include coral, sea grasses, sandy bottoms and rocks, all provide fish with the food, shelter, spawning areas and nursing grounds that are essential to their continued survival. However, our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to an alarming decline in the health of our oceans. To preserve our oceans and ensure their sustainability, we need stringent regulations on fisheries management and habitat destruction. Therefore, I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Amanda Raster 321 Wisconsin Ave. #5 Madison, WI 53703

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:42:18 -0400

From: "marilynr@cybermesa.com" <marilynr@cybermesa.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Marilyn Ralph 9900 Spain N.E. H-2041 Albuquerque, NM 87111

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:42:18 -0400

From: "noelledudge@hotmail.com" <noelledudge@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Noelle Ross 11501 Headley Ave Cleveland, OH 44111

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:41:48 -0400

From: "donnadet@flash.net" <donnadet@flash.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Every summer as a kid, I spent a week at the Jersey shore. I knew things were deteriorating a couple years back when we spotted syringes on the beach and my brother's fishing skipper had to go farther out to find any fish. I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Donna Detweiler 3500 Anderson Ave SE Albuquerque, NM 87106

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:41:48 -0400

From: "jamesvaughn@hotmail.com" <jamesvaughn@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, James Vaughn 7777 Heinze Rd. Lanesville, KY 47136

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:41:38 -0400

From: "ROBnGREG@yahoo.com" <ROBnGREG@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

On this day of all days (Earth Day) I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The health of the ocean is SO critical to the health of the earth as a whole.

Sincerely, Gregory Terhune 1032 Mound St Cincinnati, OH 45203

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:40:28 -0400

From: "max@isdsoftware.com" < max@isdsoftware.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

The first rule must always be to "Do No Harm!" Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans. Now, our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Max & Grace Girouard 6731 Bridge Street, #340 Fort Worth, TX 76112

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:40:18 -0400

From: "megclare 1979@hotmail.com" <megclare 1979@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Megan Haney 1408 Hawthorne Pl. Richmond Heights, MO 63117

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:40:08 -0400

From: "tranquillitybase3@hotmail.com" <tranquillitybase3@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kris Sands 200 harvest bend Wylie, TX 75098

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:39:58 -0400

From: "cjmccorm@wiscmail.wisc.edu" <cjmccorm@wiscmail.wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Cheryll McCormick 13 Newport Circle Madison, WI 53719

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:39:48 -0400

From: "meemaw7@comcast.net" <meemaw7@comcast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

We once thought our oceans were an inexhaustible resource, but now we know our oceans are declining at an alarming rate.

Coral reefs are dying, polluted runoffs are ruining coastal waters & killing off marine life. Whole marine ecosystems have been destroyed, or are in danger of being destroyed, by offshore oil drilling.

We need a much better management system to reverse the decline in the health of our oceans.

Sincerely, Wanda Kriner Box 62 Huntertown, IN 46748

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:39:48 -0400

From: "12akman@msn.com" <12akman@msn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, J. Ackerman 15781 HAYES TRAIL APPLE VALLEY, MN 55124

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:39:08 -0400

From: "enlightenedkitty@yahoo.com" <enlightenedkitty@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ashlie Crooks 2430 Cromwell Cir #915 Austin, TX 78741

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:38:58 -0400

From: "rhofmayer2@juno.com" <rhofmayer2@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rosemary Hofmayer 701-A Misty Morning Way ROUND ROCK, TX 78664

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:38:48 -0400

From: "shackaholic@hotmail.com" <shackaholic@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Michael Vescovo 12933 Des Peres Woods Drive Saint Louis, MO 63131

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:38:28 -0400

From: "rigmorales@hotmail.com" <rigmorales@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Dorothy Morales Dorothy Morales 679 Mayer Dr Mansfield, OH 44907

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:37:58 -0400

From: "temalone@wisc.edu" <temalone@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Thomas Malone 2518 Upham Street Madison, WI 53704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:37:08 -0400

From: "cfrisk@luxcasco.k12.wi.us" <cfrisk@luxcasco.k12.wi.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Charles Frisk 560 Sunrise Circle Green Bay, WI 54302

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:37:08 -0400

From: "cfrisk@luxcasco.k12.wi.us" <cfrisk@luxcasco.k12.wi.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Charles Frisk 560 Sunrise Circle Green Bay, WI 54302

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:36:48 -0400

From: "mickeyn@legacychurch.org" <mickeyn@legacychurch.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mickey Nierdieck 6900 Preston Plano, TX 75024

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:36:28 -0400

From: "helenjon@rice.edu" <helenjon@rice.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I have 3 sons who have all enjoyed the outdoors - especially along the Gulf Coast here. Now I have 5 grandchildren, and I want them to have the same (or better) opportunities. Think long range - not making money now!!

Sincerely, Helen Johnson Helen Johnson 10220 Memorial Dr #127 Houston, TX 77024

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:36:18 -0400

From: "marciano490@msn.com" <marciano490@msn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We all know how vital our oceans are to climate, shorelines, and the overall health of the planet's environment. Please take a strong position opposing further damage to the vitality of our oceans by permissive governments allowing greedy business people to overreach their right to enhance the bottom line at the expense of current human life (as well as animal and plant life, of course), as well as the quality of life for future generations.

Thank you for viewing your role in such a way as to do everything you can to save these magnificent bodies of water.

Sincerely, reg jungwirth 439 braatz dr kewaskum, WI 53040

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:35:18 -0400

From: "jfred@mail.utexas.edu" <jfred@mail.utexas.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. In particular, the guidelines should be sure to prevent against overfishing, habitat destruction for fish and other marine organisms, and poor management.

Sincerely, Jennifer Wilson 2200 Colgate Ln. Austin, TX 78723

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:35:08 -0400

From: "opsimath@ecoisp.com" <opsimath@ecoisp.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sharon Lu 11349 Corliss Ave. N. Seattle, WA 98133-8532

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:34:58 -0400

From: "aledajeanne69@hotmail.com" <aledajeanne69@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, A.J. Owen P.O. Box 940177 Houston, TX 77094

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:34:28 -0400

From: "AkikoMS@comcast.net" <AkikoMS@comcast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Akiko Miyake-Stoner Akiko Miyake-Stoner Box 943 Cornell College 810 Commons Circle Mt. Vernon, IA 52314

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:34:18 -0400

From: "mhubbard@utsystem.edu" <mhubbard@utsystem.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

The oceans are vital to the future of the world and must be protected to the fullest.

Sincerely, Marta Hubbard 3007 White Rock Drive Austin, TX 78757

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:34:08 -0400

From: "notices@verizon.net" <notices@verizon.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Those of us who live near the ocean depend on it for sustenance. Human health and safety are linked to the health of the oceans near us. Pollution, overfishing, and excessive disturbances from human activity have a direct economic and health effect on the human beings on land.

Sincerely,

Marsha Schweitzer 905 Spencer St #404 Honolulu, HI 96822

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:34:08 -0400

From: "robshrk@aol.com" <robshrk@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. If you continue to allow weakening of these protections, you are destroying the environment that we, as members of the animal world, depend upon. The entire eco-system is a balance, and removing or destroying one segment cannot help but damage the rest. I again urge you to do what is right, not what special interests pay others to think.

Sincerely,

Rob Alexander 1317 S. Boundary Ave Aiken, SC 29801

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:34:08 -0400

From: "filworobey@hotmail.com" <filworobey@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Phillip Worobey 1865 N. Higley Rd. #1053 mesa, AZ 85205

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:33:08 -0400

From: "akenkere@gmu.edu" <akenkere@gmu.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Alex Kenkeremath 3009 Crane Drive Falls Church, VA 22042

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:32:48 -0400

From: "toniamarie2000@yahoo.com" <toniamarie2000@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The oceans contain the largest habitat diversity, and we need to protect this beautiful ecosystem.

Sincerely, Tonia Roddick Tonia Roddick 429 N High St Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:32:48 -0400

From: "caltman@mtfr.org" <caltman@mtfr.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Do not allow political pressure to influence your decision.

Sincerely, Colin Altman 549 Ridgecrest Drive Yellow Springs, OH 45387

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:32:28 -0400

From: "ekuphal@ksd.k12.wi.us" <ekuphal@ksd.k12.wi.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, e. kuphal 1510 bilgo lane Kewaskum, WI 53040

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:32:28 -0400

From: "ekuphal@ksd.k12.wi.us" <ekuphal@ksd.k12.wi.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, e. kuphal 1510 bilgo lane Kewaskum, WI 53040

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:32:18 -0400

From: "gabrielgardner@hotmail.com" <gabrielgardner@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans are in crisis. Though the ocean seems limitless and bountiful, our

oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the

health of our oceans.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Gabriel Gardner 1615 Dodge Ave.

Fort Wayne, IN 46805

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:31:58 -0400

From: "gina.c@acs-inc.com" <gina.c@acs-inc.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Gina Cortright 1944 E Spring Lane Salt Lake City, UT 84117

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:31:48 -0400

From: "bbarndt@juno.com" <bbarndt@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Robert Barndt 2711 West Michigan Avenue Midland, TX 79701

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:31:48 -0400

From: "sdicara@swbell.net" <sdicara@swbell.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

With a firm belief that Earth's very life and well-being is being constantly threatened by man's greed and unconcern, I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Fish, cetaceans and all creatures of the deep must be guaranteed an unpolluted environment and relief from over-harvesting by unthinking peoples and self-serving industry. Please guarantee protection!

Sincerely, Sue DiCara 9138 Mt. San Berdu El Paso, TX 79924

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:31:48 -0400

From: "pezzullo@indiana.edu" <pezzullo@indiana.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Water is life.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Phaedra Phaedra Pezzullo 2516 Round Hill Ct. Bloomington, IN 47401

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:31:28 -0400

From: "pbang@gmu.edu" <pbang@gmu.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Pamela Bang 13004 Rockridge Rd. Chester, VA 23831

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:31:18 -0400

From: "sellington@amagtexas.com" <sellington@amagtexas.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Stephanie Ellington 101 Clarks Way Hutto, TX 78634

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:31:08 -0400

From: "fraziesm@muohio.edu" <fraziesm@muohio.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Thank you for considering my concern.

Sincerely, Susan M. Frazier 5385 Coulter Lane Oxford, OH 45056

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:30:58 -0400

From: "irishfan42@bellsouth.net" <irishfan42@bellsouth.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The ocean is one of few environmental habitats that is left for humans to enjoy in its relatively natural form. There are no lines, there are no park guards or rules. Its just the ocean. Please take the necessary steps to preserve our oceans. We need them.

Sincerely,

David Ford 5409 Incline Dr. Nashville, TN 37211

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:30:48 -0400

From: "Scarletwine@aol.com" <Scarletwine@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Growing up on the Cheasapeake Bay, I have first hand knowledge of the ffragility of our oceans.

Sincerely, Julie Geisel 1215 Harlan Rd. Lucas, OH 44843

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:30:48 -0400

From: "tinporchpaper@hotmail.com" <tinporchpaper@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

if, with our wonderful ingenuity in exploring the martian surface, we discover the signs of a rich ocean, wouldn't it be ironic to think that perhaps some ancient civilization just neglected to take care of it. Sincerely,

ann silverman 2683 wellesley rd columbus, OH 43209

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:30:38 -0400

From: "eittinger@hotmail.com" <eittinger@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to please protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ann Eittinger 7102 Westlake Ave Dallas, TX 75214

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:30:28 -0400

From: "amandareneedouglas@hotmail.com" <amandareneedouglas@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Amanda R Douglas Amanda Douglas 3012 Bedford Rd # 1308 Bedford, TX 76021

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:30:18 -0400

From: "ef1033@hotmial.com" <ef1033@hotmial.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. How many fish have you eten in yoou life? I stil wish politicians would show that thay care for the environment more than personal gain and/or money for other silly personal greedy things. Please look at the environement and you will have my vote and support. Take the road less traveled, it will take and make all the diffrence. YOu migh teven go into the guiness book of world politician records. takecare!

Sincerely, elizabeth ashley finsthwait Elizabeth finsthwiat 902 sycamore san marcos, TX 78666

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:29:28 -0400

From: "dvandel@earthlink.net" <dvandel@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Diana Vandel 916 Calithea Road Austin, TX 78746

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:29:18 -0400

From: "elion@nyc.rr.com" <elion@nyc.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Clean ceans are vital to our existence. Contaminated waters are killing off the fish that live in them. Not only is this reducing the world's food supply, the fish that do survive are filled with toxins that are hazardous to people who eat them.

Sincerely, Elion Caplan 21 Fort Charles Place, Apt. 3 Bronx, NY 10463-6704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:28:58 -0400

From: "harringtwo02@uww.edu" <harringtwo02@uww.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Time is running out for us to protect our natural ecosystems. With our minds all on oil, and profits these days, the important issues have been forgotten. Our natinal forests are degrading, our water sources are being polluted, and our oceans are dying. Please do no weaken our protective laws...there's a reasone they were put into place, and that was for our own protection from OURSELVES!!!! We need to act now, before it's too late. If changes are to be made, they should ONLY be to strengthen and fortify our environmental laws. Thank you for your time, and concern.

Sincerely, William Harrington 5547 n Bay Ridge Ave Whitefish Bay, WI 53217

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:28:48 -0400

From: "clickandragon@earthlink.net" <clickandragon@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Susan Davis 6348 Pocahontas Club Rd. Virginia Beach, VA 23457

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:28:48 -0400

From: "jmcraig@stlcc.edu" <jmcraig@stlcc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Julianne Craig 3350 Lawn Ave. St. Louis, MO 63139

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:28:18 -0400

From: "iantorrey@yahoo.com" <iantorrey@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Ian Torrey 1001 san jost st. san leandro, CA 94577

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:28:08 -0400

From: "sesmith2000@comcast.net" <sesmith2000@comcast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Susan Smith 2312 Crest Park Drive Arlington, TX 76006

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:27:58 -0400

From: "mhadderman@zianet.com" <mhadderman@zianet.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I am writing to urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. It seems that the Bush Administratin has other ideas!

The oceans may look limitless, but they are not sustaining as much life as a few decades ago. Also, fish farms are not the answer. Please work to protect essential ocean habitat. Future generations of humans and many other species will applaud your efforts!

Sincerely, Margaret Hadderman 1017 Santa Rita St. Silver City, NM 88061

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:27:38 -0400

From: "dcalera@aol.com" <dcalera@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Debbie Calera 901 Oscar Edinburg, TX 78541

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:27:08 -0400

From: "peg4646@hotmail.com" <peg4646@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Everything on earth in finite. We can say that in time the ocean will recover and go on like before but I ask you to say no to any weakening of our laws that protect the ocean. If not now, when? Thank you for taking the time and consideration.

Sincerely, Peg McWilliams margaret mcwilliams 7506 rohlich ct. middleton, WI 53562

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:26:48 -0400

From: "dawn.wait@hksystems.com" <dawn.wait@hksystems.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Our oceans are in crisis. Though the ocean seems limitless and bountiful, our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Please do not weaken and remove protection of one of our great resources. Stop before it's too late.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this issue.

Sincerely, Dawn Wait 8106 W. Forest Garden Ct. #14 Greenfield, WI 53220

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:26:08 -0400

From: "bennet_e@denison.edu" <bennet_e@denison.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Bennett 1396 B Countryside Dr Newark, OH 43055

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:25:58 -0400

From: "carolhollier@aol.com" <carolhollier@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Carol Hollier 435 Davis Rd. Mansfield, OH 44907

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:25:38 -0400

From: "richardzimmerman@yahoo.com" <richardzimmerman@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We as a country need to do more to strengthen and protect our oceans. The United States should be at the forefront of ocean protection not bringing up the rear! I urge you to stand up against the Bush administration and not weaken the existing ocean protections.

Sincerely, Richard Zimmerman P.O. Box 907 Piqua, OH 45356

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:25:28 -0400

From: "bramcheck@wauwatosa.net" <bramcheck@wauwatosa.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Bill Tarman-Ramcheck N9026 Bakavi Way East Troy, WI 53120

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:25:28 -0400

From: "jchao@marykay.com" <jchao@marykay.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Overfishing and habitat destruction have caused terrible damage to the largest habitat on the earth. The ripple effect will be disastrous unless protection is strengthened.

Sincerely, Jennie Chao 6605 Rain Creek Pkwy Austin, 78759

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:25:18 -0400

From: "cchristo@hutchtel.net" <cchristo@hutchtel.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We need to act now!

Sincerely, Carol Christopherson Carol Christopherson 1011 Lewis Ave. SW Hutchinson, MN 55350

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:25:08 -0400

From: "joe@julyforkings.com" <joe@julyforkings.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Joe Hedges Joseph Hedges 219 Patchen Dr. Llexington, KY 40517

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:24:17 -0400

From: "kaerlim@aol.com" <kaerlim@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kaerli Main 1553 East 3115 South SLC, UT 84106

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:23:37 -0400

From: "rkomalle@wustl.edu" <rkomalle@wustl.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rebecca O'Malley 10 No. Kingshighway St. Louis, MO 63108

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:23:17 -0400

From: "jazztree@hevanet.com" <jazztree@hevanet.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I am writing to reuest that you keep in place the regulations that protect our oceans. I strongly urge you to prevent any erosion of the existing essential guidelines for preservation of fish habitat. Please do not allow political

and economic interest to take precendence over the long-term and crucial sustainability and quality of our oceans.

Sincerely yours, Judith Raymond 3947 SE Main St. Portland, OR 97214

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:23:07 -0400

From: "lizangel44@cox.net" < lizangel44@cox.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans.

I remember as a child summering at the Jersey Shore I could actually see the bottom of the ocean floor and the fish swimming. Today my grandchildren are often unable to safely swim in the ocean and a thriving clean ocean is unknown by them. What will the children of tomorrow witness withour your intervention?

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Elizabeth Enright 4549 East Rhonda Drive Phoenix, AZ 85018-7223

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:22:57 -0400

From: "marionseymour@aol.com" <marionseymour@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

It is essential to recognize the interdependent web of life. If the environment, including oceans, are compromised we are all the loosers.

Sincerely, marion seymour 2300 W. Alameda St D2 santa fe, NM 87507

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:22:37 -0400

From: "bjb63@yahoo.com" <bjb63@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Dont get pushed around by this administration. We are very tired of their intentions.

Sincerely, brian brownstone 1000 fulton san francisco, CA 94110

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:22:07 -0400

From: "lbalk588@uwsp.edu" <lbalk588@uwsp.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans need protection. I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Laura Balkevich Laura Balkevich 1212 2nd Street, Apt. A Stevens Point, WI 54481

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:21:17 -0400

From: "mlavely@archway.com" <mlavely@archway.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Michael Lavely Michael Lavely 5320 Barry Lane White Bear Township, MN 55110

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:20:57 -0400

From: "greenjackd10@juno.com" < greenjackd10@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Having spent much time along the southern California coastline I have on numerous occasions been warned not to swim in an area or to avoid eating contaminated fish, not to mention the fisheman's problems of finding fish that were once plentiful.

It seems that the current protections are far too weak to be viable. Any reduction in protections would be an obvious cave-in to special interests at the expense of the larger population, the fish and the ecosystem.

I certainly have compassion for the fishermen who are having a difficult time earning a living; but weakening ocean and fish protections is obviously not the solution.

Sincerely, Jack Strasburg 31 W Los Reales Rd #221 Tucson, AZ 85706

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:20:27 -0400

From: "wimhoa@charter.net" <wimhoa@charter.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Mother Nature is already wrecking havoc because of global warming with extraordinary winds, flooding, and drought. We humans need to enhance instead of despoil the oceans, from which all life benefits. Our record of destruction on nature is horrendous already; we should not be making it even worse, because we are imperiling our own lives.

Sincerely, Kristen Zehner 118 Blue Spruce Marshall, WI 53559

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:19:57 -0400

From: "craig@federated.com" < craig@federated.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Craig Hanson 240 Dejournet Drive Chesterfield, MO 63005

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:19:37 -0400

From: "karin.ascot@earthlink.net" < karin.ascot@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Humans are every bit as dependent on healthy oceans as the fish themselves are! We MUST protect the world's oceans. Please remain firm on this issue.

Sincerely, Karin Ascot 405 Academy Drive Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:19:27 -0400

From: "kpolak@rochester.rr.com" < kpolak@rochester.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

It seems to me that we are at an important crossroads now. We can either work to save the ecosystems in our oceans, or we can continue to put money ahead of all other priorities and eventually end up with no viable ocean ecosystems!

Sincerely,

Kathleen Polak Kathleen Polak 23 Smallwood Dr. Pittsford, NY 14534

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:19:17 -0400

From: "carterthea@mindspring.com" <carterthea@mindspring.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Carter Beckett 760 placita santa fe Santa Fe, NM 87505

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:19:07 -0400

From: "kpeterman@alexinformation.com" <kpeterman@alexinformation.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. With global warming, over fishing, military sonar testing, pollution, tourist ships and the like, how could anyone in thier right mind even consider for a moment weakening existing guidelines? Quite the opposite, they need to be reinforced & stregnthened, otherwise we'll lose tourist attractions such as coral reefs, many of our favorite fish to eat, sea mammels, the list is endless.

Sincerely, Karen Peterman

karen peterman 5306 Badger Bend Austin, TX 78749

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karen peterman 5306 Badger Bend Austin, TX 78749

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:18:47 -0400

From: "moosish@frontiernet.net" <moosish@frontiernet.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I'm counting on you, as are my grandchildren, to do the right thing by protecting these precious resources.

Thank you very much.

Sincerely, Marsha Aronson 91 Coldenham Road Walden, NY 12586

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:17:16 -0400

From: "artyzen7@earthlink.net" <artyzen7@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, martin blacker 3003 fontana drive austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:16:56 -0400

From: "holly.wood@att.net" <holly.wood@att.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I continually find it incredible that the Bush administration and their big business cronies apparently don't get the link between the health of the environment and well-being of all life and all human endeavors on Earth. Are they really so stupid to not understand that nothing can prosper on a dying world? I guess that they just want to line their pockets right now, and forget about the very imminent disaster looming on the horizon. They don't care about our future, or even the future of their own children. That makes them truly evil, for all the blabbing they do about God. I have observed that the people who mouth off the most about God, are busy doing the Devil's work. To harm the Earth is to spit in the face of God

Sincerely, Hollis Wood 706 Sosaya Street Santa Fe, NM 87505

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:16:36 -0400

From: "kaleidoscopeglow@earthlink.net" <kaleidoscopeglow@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jerrine Leichhardt 116 Mapleridge Road Chagrin Falls, OH 44022

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:16:36 -0400

From: "C-DUBYA@worldnet.att.net" < C-DUBYA@worldnet.att.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Carter Woodruff 3417 Center st Des Moines, IA 50312

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:16:36 -0400

From: "XTRA101@EXCITE.COM" <XTRA101@EXCITE.COM>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, kRISTIANNA Acevedo 110 Ada dr Staten island, NY 10314

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:15:56 -0400

From: "barrigar@chartertn.net" <barrigar@chartertn.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

The long-term health of our Earth, and thus humans, must be a top priority. We must take actions now, rather than wait until degradations of the environment reach an untenable level. I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Nancy Barrigar 708 Allen Avenue Elizabethton, TN 37643

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:15:36 -0400

From: "flmyers@wisc.edu" <flmyers@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We like to eat fish, but our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, among other causes, has led to a dramatic decline in the quality of our oceans. Please do not let this downward spiral continue by weakening existing ocean protections.

Sincerely, Frank Myers 4946 Lake Mendota Dr. Madison, WI 53705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:15:36 -0400

From: "kahnbari@netscape.net" <kahnbari@netscape.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

I urge yo to read The Fishing Bankruptcy by Steve Sloan.

Sincerely, Bari Kahn 424 Reid Rd. Lexington, VA 24450

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:15:16 -0400

From: "pjruediger@yahoo.com" <pjruediger@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I implore you to do everything in your power to protect our oceans and definitely not take any action that would weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Pamela Ruediger 2193 Charleston Road Spencer, WV 25276

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:15:06 -0400

From: "thomasf@primate.wisc.edu" <thomasf@primate.wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans are already in danger. I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Thomas Friedrich 1164 Emerald St. #1 Madison, WI 53715

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:14:36 -0400

From: "ecnmao@yahoo.com" <ecnmao@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Eduardo Nieuwenhuyzen 8709 White Ave St. Louis, MO 63144

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:14:16 -0400

From: "katieaulwes@yahoo.com" <katieaulwes@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Katie Aulwes 1218 North Carolina, NE Washington, DC 20002

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:14:16 -0400

From: "cirrelda@laalamedapress.com" <cirrelda@laalamedapress.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Please examine the reasons for such a move to lessen standards. Is it to increase profit, or increase output for the fishing industry? I know that people need work. However, further jeopardizing the health of our oceans---already known to be on a decline--- is and should never be a way that is considered to increase productivity.

Thank you for listening to a citizen.

Sincerely, Cirrelda Snider-Bryan 9636 Guadalupe Tr. NW Albuquerque, NM 87114

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:14:06 -0400

From: "bjazmus@hotmail.com" <bjazmus@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Our oceans are vast and deep, and seemingly full of exhaustable bounty. We learned the lessons long ago, in regards to our National forests, and the once plentiful forests. Please conserve our treasured reserve of species diversity for continued use and enjoyment well into our future.

Thank you!

Sincerely, Brenda Asmus 4536 Colorado Ave N Crystal, MN 55422

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:13:46 -0400

From: "geochic77@yahoo.com" < geochic77@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Valentina Wolf 301 Ohio Orange, TX 77630

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:13:06 -0400

From: "saynotobread@saynotobread.com" <saynotobread@saynotobread.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our existence is directly tied to the well being of our eco-system. We should do everything possible to protect our oceans. Please do everything in your power to make sure our oceans are preserved best as possible.

Sincerely,

Joshua Calera Joshua Calera 5805 N. Main St. McAllen, TX 78501

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:12:56 -0400

From: "efurbish@alumni.rice.edu" <efurbish@alumni.rice.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Please remain firm in the face of industry attempts to weaken existing protections against destruction of ocean habitats. Even current regulations are not strong enough to protect ocean wildlife in the long term; further relaxation creates a threat impossible to ignore.

These protections are the only thing standing between industry and the sullying of all ocean habitats. They don't care, so we have to. Please do the right thing.

Sincerely, Eric Furbish 4807 Eilers Ave. Austin, TX 78751

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:12:36 -0400

From: "Sasha.Novograd@yale.edu" <Sasha.Novograd@yale.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sasha Novograd 440 West End Ave new york, NY 10024

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:11:36 -0400

From: "jordyfish@hotmail.com" <jordyfish@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jordana Fishman 120 W. 59th St. New York, NY 10019

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:11:36 -0400

From: "erieckmann@ameritech.net" <erieckmann@ameritech.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Erin Rieckmann 651 E Clay Street Whitewater, WI 53190

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:11:26 -0400

From: "dgnsandrak@msn.com" <dgnsandrak@msn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, dan kelley 96 old canoncito rd santa fe, NM 87505

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:11:16 -0400

From: "wardenbetteys@hotmail.com" <wardenbetteys@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

As you know our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, chris betteys 4704 homewood dr mentor, OH 44060

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:10:46 -0400

From: "lilyintransit@yahoo.com" <lilyintransit@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

As an RN, I am aware of the health issues and importance of supporting a healthy environment for all. I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Susan Lewis 123 West 227th street Bronx, NY 10463

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:10:36 -0400

From: "prieckmann@ameritech.net" <prieckmann@ameritech.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Pam Rieckmann 651 E Clay Street Whitewater, WI 53190

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:10:26 -0400

From: "tak35@hotmail.com" <tak35@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, thomas kozlovsky 1139 pauline ave madison, WI 53705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:10:16 -0400

From: "jahyslop@lycos.com" <jahyslop@lycos.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, John Hyslop 89-15 89th Street Woodhaven, NY 11421

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:09:46 -0400

From: "nikkihofwolt@earthlink.net" <nikkihofwolt@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Nikki Hofwolt 1024 E Diamond Dr Tempe, AZ 85283

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:09:36 -0400

From: "redroverxx@yahoo.com" <redroverxx@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

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Sincerely, Jon Rieckmann 651 E Clay Street Whitewater, WI 53190

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:09:36 -0400 From: "amy@iiaw.com" <amy@iiaw.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

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Sincerely, amy holt 3352 quincy ave madison, WI 53704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:09:36 -0400

From: "geunger@ungertech.com" < geunger@ungertech.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Guinn Unger 624 Bellingrath Park Conroe, TX 77302

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:08:36 -0400

From: "lberinger@hotmail.com" <lberinger@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The oceans are vast, but they and their inhabitants are not indestructible!

Sincerely,

Laurie Beringer Laurie Beringer 22455 Lake Rd. Rocky River, OH 44116

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:08:36 -0400

From: "monasky@hotmail.com" <monasky@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Heather Monasky P.O. Box 1815 Bismarckq, ND 58502

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:08:26 -0400

From: "ddupies@ch2m.com" <ddupies@ch2m.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. As I have stated in other letters of support for environmental protection, it is imperative that the U.S. be seen as and act as an environmental leader throughout the world. We are clearly not in the desperate position of many developing countries that almost have no option but to abuse their environment to simply live. It should be beneath us to view our oceans or any other resource as there to be plundered come what may after the destruction is done. Do the right thing, put environmental protection above the interests of financial gains.

Sincerely, Dan Dupies S3 W31806 Mary Ct. Delafield, WI 53018

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:08:26 -0400

From: "hborgeri@wfubmc.edu" <hborgeri@wfubmc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We cannot survive if we do not have healthy oceans.

Sincerely, Hermina Borgerink Hermina Borgerink 865 Jansu Lane Winston-Salem, NC 27103

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:08:06 -0400

From: "tanager8@gte.net" <tanager8@gte.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, chris and erica worrell 1647 longwood mayfield hts, OH 44124

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:06:26 -0400

From: "sonjarice@msn.com" <sonjarice@msn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans. I would like to know that my children and their children will be able to enjoy our beautiful oceans and the magnificent life forms that call our oceans home. Equally importantly, it is critical to maintain the health of our oceans as the source of uncontaminated and disease-free food for human consumption.

Thank you for considering these comments.

Very truly yours, Sonja Rice 4593 West 214th St. Fairview Park, OH 44126

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:05:56 -0400

From: "corvid@capital.net" <corvid@capital.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kathleen Roberts 215 Fox Lane/POB 374 Chestertown, NY 12817

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:05:46 -0400

From: "lizreuss@yahoo.com" < lizreuss@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The actions we take now will significantly impact the health of oceans for future generations. I truly believe an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure, and now is the time to strengthen our preventative measures.

Sincerely, Liz Reuss 9417 Great Hills Trail #1087 Austin, TX 78759

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:05:36 -0400

From: "organicbeth@aol.com" <organicbeth@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,
A friendly reminder ..you can't eat money.
I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, beth helm 4204 jamie trail amarillo, TX 79110

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:05:26 -0400

From: "rodney1134@yahoo.com" <rodney1134@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Erika Parker Carriage Hills Conroe, TX 77384

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:05:06 -0400

From: "ellefson@uwm.edu" <ellefson@uwm.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Diane Ellefson 4943 N. Woodburn St. Whitefish Gay, WI 53217

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:05:06 -0400

From: "southernladysher@netscape.net" <southernladysher@netscape.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

This is of utmost importance to our Earth and living creatures in the ocean and on land.

There is no excuse for allowing protections to be decreased, other than monetary. I do hope you know that is not a reason at all.

Sincerely, Sherry Horne Taylor 760 Shady Grove Road Gaffney, SC 29341

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:04:56 -0400

From: "tkkamp@wisc.edu" <tkkamp@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

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Sincerely,

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:04:46 -0400

From: "rodney1134@yahoo.com" <rodney1134@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rodney Parker Carriage Hills Conroe, TX 77384

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:04:06 -0400

From: "nativeroots@iseepower.net" <nativeroots@iseepower.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mary Celeste Reese 1775 Sessums Circle Starkville, MS 39759

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:03:15 -0400

From: "mjkenney@adelphia.net" <mjkenney@adelphia.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Martha J. Kenney 5785 Thompson Rd Clarence, NY 14032

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:02:55 -0400

From: "revolution@aol.com" <revolution@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Zachary Fisher 144-55 Melbourne Ave Flushing, NY 11367

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:02:45 -0400

From: "cmoubry@yahoo.com" <cmoubry@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Cathy Moubry 823 Christianson Ave Madison, WI 53714

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:02:25 -0400

From: "emattdar@columbus.rr.com" <emattdar@columbus.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

The following quote is about rivers but I think the speaker would agree with me that oceans apply here as well.

In the words of a very smart man, "I am convinced it is wiser and less expensive to preserve these rivers (insert 'and oceans') today than to ask our grandchildren to repair them tomorrow." -- Michigan Department of Natural Resources Director K.L. Cool

Sincerely, Darielle Eberhard 2320 McComb Rd. Grove City, OH 43123

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:01:25 -0400

From: "seryphs@yahoo.com" <seryphs@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Daniela Leonard 726 Union Street Brooklyn, NY 11215

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:01:05 -0400

From: "deborah.edwards@uc.edu" <deborah.edwards@uc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, DeBorah Edwards 2030 Burnet Avenue Cincinnati, OH 45219

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:01:05 -0400

From: "mwelke@wmmb.org" <mwelke@wmmb.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

For too long, our oceans have served as both a bottomless food resource and a limitless dumping ground -- rather a contradiction in use but easily understood because "out of sight, out of mind." But we have asked too much and done too much and the damage is now so extreme that it is daily more and more apparent.

As a result, I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Margaret Welke 410 Clemons Avenue Madison, WI 53704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:01:05 -0400

From: "christrehl@yahoo.com" <christrehl@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Christine Strehl Christine Strehl 423 West 7th Columbus, OH 43201

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:00:55 -0400

From: "Michele.Thornton@notes.udayton.edu" < Michele.Thornton@notes.udayton.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Please recognize the importance of our waters to all citizens.

Sincerely, A registered, active voter Michele Thornton 300 College Park Dayton, OH 45469

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:00:55 -0400

From: "dfaldri@sandia.gov" <dfaldri@sandia.gov>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, David Aldridge 2519 Griegos Place NW Albuquerque, NM 87107

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:00:25 -0400

From: "pamela.s.dannacher@usace.army.mil" <pamela.s.dannacher@usace.army.mil>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Pamela Dannacher 2519 PERSHING AVENUE DAVENPORT, IA 52803

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:00:15 -0400

From: "doogiehouser@airplaneflyer.com" <doogiehouser@airplaneflyer.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Ocean habitats, which include coral, sea grasses, sandy bottoms and rocks, all provide fish with the food, shelter, spawning areas and nursing grounds that are essential to their continued survival. The various habitats that are essential to fish survival are collectively called essential fish habitat.

Note that the key word in the above paragraph is ESSENTIAL!!!

Sincerely, Brian Houser 6841 Cedar Brook Glen New Albany, OH 43054

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:00:15 -0400

From: "sidney.rosenfeld@oberlin.edu" <sidney.rosenfeld@oberlin.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sidney & Stella Rosenfeld 191 Elm Street Oberlin, OH 44074

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:00:05 -0400

From: "kinikia1@aol.com" <kinikia1@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Cindy Urbanski 2613 S. Cuyler Berwyn, IL 60402

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 13:00:05 -0400

From: "dean96706@yahoo.com" <dean96706@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Dean Alvarez 760 Geary St. #403M San Francisco, CA 94109

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:59:25 -0400 From: "tallulah@wf.net" <tallulah@wf.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

As once thought, our oceans are not sturdy enough to take a constant assault and they need our protection.

Thank you for the valuable work you do.

Sincerely, CaraLea Willoughby 507 Lindsay Street Bowie, TX 76230

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:59:15 -0400

From: "butterda@yahoo.com" <butterda@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Dorey Butter 3045 Legation St. NW Washington, DC 20015

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:59:15 -0400

From: "rick47@centurytel.net" < rick47@centurytel.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We are stewards of this fair planet. How can you seek to wreak even more havoc on oceans already palgued with "dead zones" and dying reefs?

Sincerely, Richard Gorud Richard Gorud P.O. Box 1 Minong, WI 54859-0001

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:59:05 -0400

From: "Jinhee@grumpymen.com" < Jinhee@grumpymen.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. You can't be selfish with our national resources and pursue your shortsighted interests.

As a nation, we are blessed with rich oceans, and now we have a responsibility to preserve the oceans as best we could for our next generations.

Sincerely,

Jinhee Kong Jinhee Kong 3019 Canterbury Park Dr. Winston-Salem, NC 27127

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:58:45 -0400

From: "bmdainc@cox.net" <bmdainc@cox.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Brenda Carter 1440 Puterbaugh St. San Diego, CA 92103

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:58:44 -0400

From: "sdplunkett@aep.com" <sdplunkett@aep.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, --Sean Plunkett Sean Plunkett Yellow Mountain Road Roanoke, VA 24014

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:58:14 -0400

From: "rlab99@hotmail.com" <rlab99@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, robert bellsey 324 vassar se albuquerque, NM 87106

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:57:54 -0400

From: "cjspeaks@earthlink.net" <cjspeaks@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

It has come to my attention that some of the ocean conservation laws now in effect may be in jeapardy. For the record, I want to add my name to the list of citizens concerned about water quality and ocean habitat.

I am a travel counselor, and I would actively support the additional implementation of more stringent environmental laws in regards to cruise ship and merchant ship wastes, as well as limits on commercial fishing. It is very sad that as a result of improved fishing technologies, and heightened use of chemicals, etc., we are now threatened with numerous fish depletions in our oceans and rivers.

I will appreciate your efforts in doing what you can to keep the water conservation laws that are already in place and to support additional ones that would further our conservational efforts.

Sincerely, Claudia Machell 8409 Vaquero Cove

Austin, TX 78759

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:57:34 -0400 From: "euglec@aol.com" <euglec@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Eugene LeCouteur 110 Kent Avenue Fredericksburg, VA 22405

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:57:14 -0400

From: "lindsayvalley@msn.com" lindsayvalley@msn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Under President Bush, America is turning toward special interests and away from citizens and our environment.

How will American history regard this President who undermines The Clean Air Act, The Clean Water Act, The Endangered Speices Act, by rewriting the rules to favor big business?

How will history judge this President who approves the Patriot Act which restricts individual rights and freedoms given by our founding fathers in our constitution?

How will history look upon this President who lead this country to war based on lies and deceit?

The President himself says that history won't matter because "We'll all be dead."

But, he's only half right. He has forgotton about our environment and all the wildlife that shares this earth with us.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rosanne Lindsay 5771 Ballina Parkway Fitchburg, WI 53711

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:56:44 -0400

From: "greenplanet8@hotmail.com" < greenplanet8@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. You are one of the few important people we have to protect us from the destruction people cause in our oceans. I realize you do not have complete control but, I urge you to do what you can. I believe the fate of our world lies in how we treat our natural environment.

Sincerely, michelle beck 3900 Run of the Oaks Dr. Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:56:24 -0400

From: "marypk@everestkc.net" <marypk@everestkc.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Everything we do as a country and people seems to be for short term benefit/exploitation. We shortchange future generations with our selfish and reckless misuse of the environment. It is time we take a more responsible approach to preserving the health of our environment. Please help move our country in that direction by acting to protect fish habitat. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mary Perez-Korinko 636 East 70th Terrace Kansas City, MO 64131

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:56:04 -0400

From: "Rfischer@foley.k12.mn.us" < Rfischer@foley.k12.mn.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I have had the opportunity to snorkel in a coral reef. It was wonderful, but damage to the reef was evident. I have followed the plight of the manatees; they need our protection from motor boats. I have read reports on over fishing. Fishing needs to be highly regulated and severely curtailed. I ask that the whales be protected and that Jap[an and other countries that violate the moratorium on killing whales be sanctioned. Please protect the oceans. They are the Earth's lungs. Sincerely, Richard Fischer
8500 170th Ave NE
Oak Park, NC 56357

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:44 -0400

From: "spiderwomyn13@charter.net" <spiderwomyn13@charter.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Chris Casper 417 W Mill St Winona, MN 55987

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:34 -0400

From: "JDBlends@hotmail.com" <JDBlends@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jess Stewart 1467 Lakewood Ave. Lakewood, OH 44107

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:34 -0400

From: "sstevens@ecb.state.wi.us" <sstevens@ecb.state.wi.us>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The Bush administration either doesn't notice, or doesn't care, that we are killing our planet little by little. Please help keep our oceans and the life sustained in them healthy! There is so much marine life that is threatened--almost to the point of extinction! Once they are gone, they're gone. Thanks for listening.

Sincerely, Susan Stevens 5311 Maywood Rd. Monona, WI 53716

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:34 -0400

From: "nchapin@hughesluce.com" <nchapin@hughesluce.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Scientific studies have demonstrated that protections now in place are crucial to protecting declining fish populations. Maintaining the guidelines makes long term economic sense.

Sincerely, Nathaniel Chapin 309 Park Lane Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:14 -0400

From: "justin_t12@hotmail.com" <justin_t12@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kali Rowe 6851 East Baker St. Tucson, AZ 85710

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:04 -0400

From: "mrose@mail.utexas.edu" <mrose@mail.utexas.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I grew up on Maui, and even though I live in Texas now, I feel like the Pacific ocean is my second home. The thought that we could do something to protect the ocean but choose not to is tragic. Please don't support or adopt policy that could put our oceans in more danger.

Sincerely, Maile Broccoli-Hickey Maile Broccoli-Hickey 1503 Sunset Lane

Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:04 -0400

From: "jilber3@juno.com" <jilber3@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jill Canoyer 35698 Stevens Boulevard Eastlake, OH 44095

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:04 -0400

From: "shawj@muohio.edu" <shawj@muohio.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Judith Shaw 206 Beechpoint Drive Oxford, OH 45056

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:55:04 -0400

From: "sftudisco@yahoo.com" <sftudisco@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Steve Tudisco 843 Jenifer Street Madison, WI 53703

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:54:13 -0400

From: "echota_23@yahoo.com" <echota_23@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Echota Keller 6443 Smiley Avenue St. Louis, MO 63139

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:54:13 -0400

From: "jason@openinformatics.com" < jason@openinformatics.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, jason stewart 620 Arizona SE albuquerque, NM 87108

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:54:13 -0400

From: "pdscon@doorpi.net" <pdscon@doorpi.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Deb Skup 5323 Silverdale Road Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:54:13 -0400

From: "paul@thelatetrain.com" <paul@thelatetrain.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Paul Whitener Jr. Paul Whitener Jr. 611 S. Congress Suite 200 Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:53:33 -0400

From: "jenny@baysideprinting.com" <jenny@baysideprinting.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Please protect our oceans and do not weaken existing fish habitat protections.

Sincerely, Jennifer Bundscho 3406 Long Shadows Spring, TX 77380

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:53:13 -0400

From: "jdkoenig@wisc.edu" <jdkoenig@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I know that the amount of fish in the oceans has dropped by 90% in the last 54 years. This is unacceptable.

Sincerely, Justin Koenig 310 Goldberg Slichter Madison, WI 53706

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:53:03 -0400

From: "kawika1968@yahoo.com" <kawika1968@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rhonda Thompson 513 Briarwood Ln Port Washington, WI 53074

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:52:02 -0400

From: "dbrooks@mdanderson.org" <dbrooks@mdanderson.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Diana Brooks 1515 Holcombe Blvd.-573 Houston, TX 77030

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:51:32 -0400

From: "tcmax07@yahoo.com" <tcmax07@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. This oceanic life is essential to our well being.

Sincerely, Thomas Combs 2416 Mt. Claire Ave Louisville, KY 40217-1943

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:51:32 -0400

From: "jboughman@wisc.edu" <jboughman@wisc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

The existing legislation must be preserved to ensure that our oceans can be sustained. Already they are threatened by pollution, habitat destruction and overfishing. Rather than weakening the legislation, it should be strengthened.

Sincerely, Janette Boughman 430 Lincoln Dr Madison, WI 53706

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:51:02 -0400

From: "crystal.miller@oberlin.edu" <crystal.miller@oberlin.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our oceans are a valuable resource of energy, food, transportation, and a major player in the global weather patterns. Like all resources, they must recieve the proper stewardship they deserve in order to continue being a viable resource. Please do not allow the Bush administration, or other bureacratic forces, to diminish the US policies of habitat conservation. The oceans and the people who depend on them deserve the very best care possible.

Sincerely, Crsystal Miller Main PO Box 454 Oberlin, OH 44074

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:50:52 -0400

From: "sethlandau78@yahoo.com" <sethlandau78@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Seth Landau 300 Stanton Ave. #206 Ames, IA 50014

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:50:12 -0400

From: "nbhochy@yahoo.com" <nbhochy@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Under the Bush Administration, our environment has been ill fated. The Clean Air and Water Acts are under a constant threat. Please do not allow our oceans to join those realms.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Off-shore drilling, pollution causing dead zones, polluted habitats for many endangered species and increases in mercury levels are our biggest threats. Please do you part to protect our oceans.

Sincerely, Nichole Hoch 2557 E. Broad St Columbsu, OH 43209

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:50:02 -0400

From: "dakesh@hotmail.com" <dakesh@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Our oceans no longer sustain as much life as they used to. Overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to this alarming decline in the health of our oceans.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Daniel s` 25-62 43rd Street 2nd floor Astoria, NY 11103

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:50:02 -0400

From: "JLZoldan@aol.com" <JLZoldan@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We need to protect our environment now!

Sincerely, Judy Lockshaw Judy Lockshaw 84 Red Grouse Ct. Youngstown, OH 44511

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:50:02 -0400

From: "ingrid@chaikenclothing.com" <ingrid@chaikenclothing.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I am alarmed by the Bush administration's move to weaken existing ocean protections. Already, overfishing, habitat destruction, and poor management have all led to a drastic decline in the health of our oceans. We need to take care of this precious resource for future generations.

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, ingrid von saltza 603 van duzer street staten island, NY 10304

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:49:52 -0400

From: "chodorow@sbcglobal.net" <chodorow@sbcglobal.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rowena Chodorow 4000 Brandi Court Austin, TX 78759

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:49:52 -0400

From: "clarke@airmail.net" <clarke@airmail.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Recently, our family visited the Monterey California Aquarium. There's a film they show there that you need to see. It runs all day everyday and, hopefully, is educating people to the "vanishing wild oceans." The graphic pictures of waste and devastation are sometimes too painfull to watch but us folks need to get the message and help defend our dying oceans.

My family and I are deeply concerned about the environmental damage being done and we urge you to do all you can to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Edward Clarke 14244 Coral Harbour Ct Dallas, TX 75234

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:49:42 -0400

From: "wpfister@harc.edu" <wpfister@harc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Wendy Pfister 27 Duskymeadow Place The Woodlands, TX 77381

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:49:22 -0400

From: "cresorchid@hotmail.com" <cresorchid@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Our oceans are an imporant aspect of the larger environment in which we live. It is essential for our sakes as well as for all other life on Earth that we preserve the biodiversity and the health of the oceans to the best of our abilities.

Sincerely, Sandra Lynn 201 W. Stassney Lane, PMB 415 Austin, TX 78745

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:49:12 -0400

From: "dianne88@cox.net" < dianne88@cox.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Dianne Miller 1440 Puterbaugh St. San Diego, CA 92103

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:49:02 -0400

From: "elizabeth.sabagh@turner.com" <elizabeth.sabagh@turner.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

If we are not responsible enough to put the health of our oceans in front of our own selfish greed, it will not only be the oceans but our children and grandchildren who will suffer in the end.

Please do what you can to help keep the ocean habitat guidelines active and strong.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Liz Sabagh

Liz Sabagh 47 First Ave Little Falls, NJ 07424

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:48:52 -0400

From: "I2Sirius@ix.netcom.com" <I2Sirius@ix.netcom.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Marie Walz 18107 Carrisa Way Olney, MD 20832

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:48:51 -0400

From: "drfd944@yahoo.com" <drfd944@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, David R. Dunn David Dunn 15304 Lanning Lakewood, OH 44107

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:48:51 -0400 From: "dvik@iglide.net" <dvik@iglide.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Dennis Vik 2702 Vista Larga Ave. NE Albuquerque, NM 87106

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:48:51 -0400

From: "Ambadele@aol.com" <Ambadele@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Adele Bertholet Adele Bertholet 117 E.58th St. New York, NY 10019

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:47:31 -0400

From: "cspencer@american-appraisal.com" <cspencer@american-appraisal.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We shouldn't weaken these guidelines, which are for the benefit of all of us, for the profit of a few.

Sincerely, Cindy Spencer W169 N11442 Biscayne Dr Germantown, WI 53022

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:47:31 -0400

From: "stu_npub_md@nwoca.org" <stu_npub_md@nwoca.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mark Dubielak 3824 Beverly Toledo, OH 43614

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:46:21 -0400

From: "joadybear@sbcglobal.net" <joadybear@sbcglobal.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, J Baker 115 S Main St. Miamisburg, OH 45342

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:46:21 -0400

From: "pamills@nmt.edu" <pamills@nmt.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I sincerely enlist your help and support. My little grandchildren need a whole global ecology in their world, too. The ocean must be protected or the planet will die. Then we're all in a pickle. Thank you

Truly Patricia Mills 801 Fitch Socorro, NM 87801

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:46:11 -0400

From: "ccrucian@ch2m.com" <ccrucian@ch2m.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Cynthia Cruciani 1722 S Sunnyslope Rd New Berlin, WI 53151

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:46:11 -0400

From: "isbalkits@yahoo.com" <isbalkits@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

The health of our oceans is threatened again by special interests seeking to weaken habitat protections. The National Marine Fisheries service is asking the public to comment on whether to protect essential fish habitat.

Please make known to the NMF that the public wants life in our waters worldwide. I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ivars Balkits 13177 Concord Church Rd. Glouster, OH 45732

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:45:11 -0400

From: "jholloway@utsystem.edu" <jholloway@utsystem.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jimmy Holloway 4207 Sendero Dr. Austin, TX 78735

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:45:00 -0400 From: "lruby@dts.edu" <lra>lruby@dts.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Leslie Ruby 721 Briggs Street Dallas, TX 75104

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:44:30 -0400

From: "timelineparadox@aol.com" <timelineparadox@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our oceans are extremely important to our planet. By destroying them we are also harming ourselves. I am not a fanatic trying to get your attention. I am a teenage Wiccan girl who believes in the earth. I also believe in your ability to do something to save her. If you have any love for your home whatsoever, I beg you to help me and others who stand beside me in this.

Sincerely, Alexandra Winters Alexanrda Winters 4770 Hillary Lane Richmond Heights, OH 44143

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:44:20 -0400

From: "jillian@sti-hawaii.com" <jillian@sti-hawaii.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Please use your position of power for the good of the planet.

Sincerely, Jillian Marohnic PO Box 611 Volcano, HI 96785

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:44:20 -0400

From: "twylaa@earthlink.net" <twylaa@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Twyla Arthur 2007 W. Summit Ave. San Antonio, TX 78201

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:44:10 -0400

From: "carpenoctem_20@yahoo.com" <carpenoctem_20@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jennifer Loar 217 Kelley Drive Weatherford, TX 76085

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:44:10 -0400

From: "kristin.cole@mail.utexas.edu" <kristin.cole@mail.utexas.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kristin Cole Kristin Cole 908 E 37th St Apt B Austin, TX 78705

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:43:30 -0400

From: "wcurtis@segalco.com" <wcurtis@segalco.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. As Chief Seattle said many years ago, "The Earth is precious to (God) and to harm the Earth is to heap contempt on its creator." The oceans are a large part of the Earth. Help us not to be contemptuous.

Sincerely, William Curtis 236 W. 10th St. New York', NY 10014

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:43:20 -0400

From: "godot15@wideopenwest.com" < godot15@wideopenwest.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Beth Oliver 2753 Osceola Ave. Columbus, OH 43211

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:43:10 -0400

From: "kmccormish@ameritech.net" <kmccormish@ameritech.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. The health of the world's oceans is critical to human survival. Please don't let short term interests and profit motives destroy the oceans.

Sincerely,

Keith McCormish Keith McCormish 330 Crestview Road Columbus, OH 43202

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:43:10 -0400

From: "carystanford6@ev1.net" <carystanford6@ev1.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Cary Stanford 349 W. 26th St. Houston, TX 77008

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:43:00 -0400

From: "gadams@sdcpa.com" <gadams@sdcpa.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We are already in danger of causing further damage to the ecology of our oceans & its ability to sustain the already reduced fish populations.

It is vital that the current fish habitat guidelines remain intact.

Sincerely, George Adams 2700 Broadway Ave, #3 Pittsburgh, PA 15216

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:43:00 -0400

From: "wlmilo@austin.rr.com" <wlmilo@austin.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. This incredibly shortsighted corporate profit based mind set must end.

Sincerely, William Milo 1600 Brushy View Cove Austin, TX 78754

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:43:00 -0400 From: "jlu@bust.com" <jlu@bust.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jennifer Lueckemeyer 5305 Woodrow austin, TX 78756

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:43:00 -0400

From: "jan@tremainecom.com" <jan@tremainecom.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Oceans are the most vast resource on the planet. Please do not weaken the guidelines for protecting our oceans.

Sincerely, Jan Tremaine 7257 Shady Nelms Drive Dublin, OH 43017

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:42:50 -0400

From: "thebeysgiraffe@yahoo.com" <thebeysgiraffe@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. I believe we must continue to encourage and develop ocean life for its own sake and for our own. I am afraid that a loosening of regulations may lead to a downward spiral in ocean conservation. Please, don't allow that to happen. Let's keep what we have so we can give it to future generations.

Sincerely, Christopher Graham 336 Madison NE Albuquerque, NM 87108

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:41:50 -0400

From: "petersgene@hotmail.com" <petersgene@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Please protect our oceans and do not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. We must have immediate and effective procedures for sustainable fishing.

Thank you.

Sincerely, Gene and Doris Peters 111 Rainbow Drive, # 1118 Livingston, TX 77399

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:41:50 -0400

From: "DAEL4@COPPER.NET" < DAEL4@COPPER.NET>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Recent reports kshow that the oceans are under attack from land based pollution and overfishing.

We are vegan and buy organic food. We don't eat any fish or animal products and the environmental impact of pesticides and fertilizers would be minimized on our part.

Please take note of the threats to the childrens future and don't let exploitation by a few ruin it for the rest.

Sincerely, Stephen and Connie Caruso 6463 Blacks Rd.SW Pataskala, OH 43062

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:41:39 -0400

From: "karen_green@lagovista.txed.net" < karen_green@lagovista.txed.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. As a teacher of environmental science, I am aware that if a habitat is lost, a community is lost. The ocean is a major source of food for the people of the world--not just the United States. We must protect this precious resource to the best of our abilities.

Sincerely, Karen Green PO Box 5191 Jonestown, TX 78645

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:41:39 -0400

From: "qxx73@yahoo.com" <qxx73@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

Overfishing is badly damaging our oceans. And increasing pollution is doing further damage. I urge you to not weaken existing fish habitat guidelines; they should be made stronger.

Sincerely, Robert Shroy 35312-C S Turtle Tr Willoughby, OH 44094

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:41:29 -0400

From: "yanoff@tularosa.net" <yanoff@tularosa.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Steven Yanoff HC 31 Box 38 Carrizozo, NM 88301

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:41:19 -0400

From: "mallorysanders@yahoo.com" <mallorysanders@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans as if they were your mother's womb and you were inside it and do not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mallory Sanders 40-60 Elbertson Street Elmhurst, NY 11373

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:41:09 -0400

From: "ruthwatkins@txcyber.com" <ruthwatkins@txcyber.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, ruth watkins 1206 Haines College Station, TX 77840

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:40:29 -0400

From: "jenniferdix@yahoo.com" <jenniferdix@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Ocean health is vital to the survival of humans as well as all living creatures.

Sincerely, Jennifer Dix 4224 Columbus Ave Minneapolis, MN 55407

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:40:09 -0400

From: "slopez@grandecom.net" <slopez@grandecom.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten, This is such an important issue to everyone!! I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Sonya A. Lopez Sonya Lopez 2019 Encino Circle Austin, TX 78723

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:39:49 -0400

From: "helene.mertz@navigant.com" <helene.mertz@navigant.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, helene mertz 1338 moorhead drive houston, TX 77055

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:39:39 -0400

From: "kim_laurance@ssmhc.com" <kim_laurance@ssmhc.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kim Laurance 7624 Lynn University City, MO 63130

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:39:39 -0400

From: "rkeeshen@unm.edu" <rkeeshen@unm.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Please do not let us have come this far on the path of protections only to watch it all be for naught because of short-sighted special interest groups.

Sincerely, Rebecca Keeshen 413 Hermosa Dr Albuquerque, NM 87108

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:39:29 -0400

From: "lbway@springmail.com" <lbway@springmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Lois Way 2005 Park Hill Way Fort Worth, TX 76110

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:39:19 -0400

From: "vewcfw@swbell.net" <vewcfw@swbell.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Vernon Whitney 8411 Academy Street Houston, TX 77025

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:39:09 -0400

From: "vewcfw@swbell.net" <vewcfw@swbell.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Vernon Whitney 8411 Academy Street Houston, TX 77025

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:39:09 -0400

From: "carolekeene@juno.com" <carolekeene@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Carole Keene 219 Roy Houston, TX 77007

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:38:48 -0400

From: "kathybarrett@sobadesign.net" <kathybarrett@sobadesign.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

For a healthy and healthful supply of fish I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kathy Barrett 501 Rio Grande Ave. A-5 Santa Fe, NM 87501

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:37:38 -0400

From: "mkdieb@aol.com" <mkdieb@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, mary diebels 1110 7th ave albany, GA 31707

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:37:18 -0400

From: "elizabeth-gillespie-1@uiowa.edu" <elizabeth-gillespie-1@uiowa.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, beth gillespie 514 e watrous ave des moines, IA 50315

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:36:58 -0400

From: "pschneiderjohn@hotmail.com" <pschneiderjohn@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. There is so many things that are unknown about the ocean and so many magnificent creatures that live in the ocean, we have to protect it.

Sincerely, Patricia Schneiderjohn 4435 Skyridge Drive St. Louis, MO 63128

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:36:38 -0400

From: "jsalzman@fssj.org" <jsalzman@fssj.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Judith Salzman 5251 South Park Ave Hamburg, NY 14075-1520

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:36:18 -0400

From: "hydrice@msn.com" <hydrice@msn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, John Anderson 2246 Quebec Avenue South St. Louis Park, MN 55426

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:36:08 -0400

From: "KJarre@lsuhsc.edu" <KJarre@lsuhsc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Kahne Jarreau 18519 Keystone Ave Greenwell Springs, LA 70739

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:35:48 -0400

From: "SILK@NEWMEX.COM" <SILK@NEWMEX.COM>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, alice RYNEAR 7 STARGAZER RD TAOS, NM 87571

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:35:27 -0400

From: "usalyons@hotmail.com" <usalyons@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

These are not guidelines that we can afford to ignore now and bring back later, they will have pernament and devasting effects upon our enviornment. Please do all you can to protect fishing habitats.

Sincerely,

Nicholas Lyons Nicholas Lyons 5837 Arlmont Circle Kettering, OH 45440

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:35:17 -0400

From: "sstetson@hotmail.com" <sstetson@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Sam Stetson Rte. 2, Box 318-E Charleston, WV 25314

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:35:17 -0400

From: "saluki65@austin.rr.com" <saluki65@austin.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Judy Scott 7600 Creekbluff Austin, TX 78750

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:35:07 -0400

From: "deemery@1lsn.com" <deemery@1lsn.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I strongly urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Donna Emery 1300 Hyman #703 Stephenville, TX 76401

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:35:07 -0400

From: "johnmcole@yahoo.com" <johnmcole@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, John Cole 811 E. 48th Street Austin, TX 78751

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:34:17 -0400

From: "bdaniel@bcm.tmc.edu" <bdaniel@bcm.tmc.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Barbara Daniel 4392 Harvest Lane Houston, TX 77004

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:33:37 -0400

From: "whiteout@sailnet.net" < whiteout@sailnet.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, J Zekas 3589 Farland Rd Cleveland, OH 44118

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:33:37 -0400

From: "stormborn@rasalvatore.com" <stormborn@rasalvatore.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Rev. Dr. Angela Nichols, D.D. 1726 Apollo Rd., #2011 Garland, TX 75044

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:33:07 -0400

From: "yona_@hotmail.com" <yona_@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Patricia Larch 507 N. Brunswick Ave. South Hill, VA 23970

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:32:57 -0400

From: "wpsimrel@naz.edu" <wpsimrel@naz.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Wiliam Simrell 308 W Elm st East Rochester, NY 14445

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:32:57 -0400

From: "Care2@veleka.com" <Care2@veleka.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. My children and my children's children deserve the same good and clean world I entered sixty years ago.

Sincerely, Veleka Gray 3216 W. Esplanade Ave., 111 Metairie, LA 70002

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:32:17 -0400

From: "sherida@planet-save.com" <sherida@planet-save.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Sherida Tutor Sherida Tutor 514 E. Live Oak Austin, TX 78704

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:31:37 -0400

From: "serenitypond@earthlink.net" < serenitypond@earthlink.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. This is a serious long time effect. We are responsible for the damage of oceans and land.

Sincerely, Patricia J.McCain Patricia McCain 1405 Jim Mathis Bryan, TX 77808

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:31:07 -0400

From: "f_aaron3@hotmail.com" <f_aaron3@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Frank Aaron 19251 Preston Rd Dallas, TX 75252

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:30:57 -0400

From: "lhxavier@nmia.com" < lhxavier@nmia.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Please do what is best for the long-term survival and well-being of our ocean habitats.

Sincerely, Lynne Xavier 9917 Fostoria Rd NE Albuquerque, NM 87111

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:30:57 -0400

From: "janettejoi@aol.com" <janettejoi@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

If the US truly wishes to lead the world, then surely we must do so by example.

If the example that we wish to present is one that respects and protects the value of global oceans, then we must do whatever we can to strengthen legal safeguards that ensure the quality of the seas for future generations.

Please do not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Only strengthening and enforcing those guidelines will offer the productive and constructive example that we would wish others to follow.

Sincerely,

Janette Stender Janette Stender 120 Emmitt Road Tallmadge, OH 44278

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:30:47 -0400

From: "dsebesta@prodigy.net" <dsebesta@prodigy.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Our oceans are on the brink of being killed by pollution and overfishing. I urge you to take steps to regulate these industries before it is too late.

Thank you-

Doyle Sebesta

Doyle Sebesta 50209 Eagle Trace Drive Georgetown, TX 78626

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:30:37 -0400

From: "lhxavier@nmia.com" < lhxavier@nmia.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Please do what is best for the long-term survival and well-being of our ocean habitats; don't give in to special-interest lobbyists.

Sincerely, Lynne Xavier 9917 Fostoria Rd NE Albuquerque, NM 87111

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:30:17 -0400

From: "randypress@yahoo.com" <randypress@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

You know what the right thing to do is so let your conscience be your guide.

Sincerely, Roland Press 8546 Adirondack Trail, #4 Austin, TX 78759

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:29:57 -0400

From: "ecerda@muellerlaw.com" <ecerda@muellerlaw.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Ellen Cerda 5400 Travis Green Lane Austin, TX 78735

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:29:57 -0400

From: "charitybowles@hotmail.com" <charitybowles@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Charity Bowles 3524 Eastern SE Albuquerque, NM 87106

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:29:47 -0400

From: "mvalentinewilson@comcast.net" <mvalentinewilson@comcast.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Michael Wilson 5424 Northern Avenue Raytown, MO 64133-2867

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:29:27 -0400

From: "barbara-eckstein@uiowa.edu" <barbara-eckstein@uiowa.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Instead I ask you to help educate the public on the plight of the oceans and what they can do to conserve their bounty and their beauty.

Sincerely, Barbara Eckstein 1020 church st. Iowa City, IA 52245

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:29:17 -0400

From: "careymoore1@juno.com" <careymoore1@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Carey Moore P.O. Box 3414 Arlington, TX 76007

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:29:16 -0400

From: "mojannot@aol.com" <mojannot@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Maureen Jannot 548 Talon Court Birmingham, AL 35242

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:29:06 -0400

From: "WandaR@easygardener.net" < WandaR@easygardener.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Our oceans are extremely polluted now and the living creatures there are becoming extinct very quickly. Please help reverse this action and not make it quicker.

Sincerely,

Wanda Rurak 164 Hillview Whitney, TX 76692

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:28:56 -0400 From: "reem@utk.edu" <reem@utk.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely,

Reem M. Abdelrazek Senior, Political Science University of Tennessee, Knoxville Reem Abdelrazek 201 Lockett Road Knoxville, TN 37919

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:28:56 -0400

From: "harperjeantobin@yahoo.com" <harperjeantobin@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Harper Jean Tobin 121 E. College St. Oberlin, OH 44074

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:28:26 -0400

From: "kenjannot@aol.com" <kenjannot@aol.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Kenneth Jannot 548 Talon Court Birmingham, AL 35242

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:28:26 -0400

From: "slurpeegal@hotmail.com" <slurpeegal@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Amanda Chism 9550 Ella Lee Ln Apt 1402 Houston, TX 77063

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:28:16 -0400

From: "davis.1646@osu.edu" <davis.1646@osu.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Lauren Davis 2712 Willow Glen Road Hilliard, OH 43026

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:28:06 -0400

From: "dfurda@gcfn.org" <dfurda@gcfn.org>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Danya Furda 478 Sutterton Drive Gahanna, OH 43230

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:27:46 -0400

From: "greg_cross_tgp@excite.com" <greg_cross_tgp@excite.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, greg cross PO Box 1454 Thoreau, NM 87323

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:27:46 -0400

From: "kjohnson@unm.edu" <kjohnson@unm.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. Overfishing has already decimated populations of most marine fishes. Habitat protection and fishing restrictions are essential to prevent further losses. Please act decisively to protect this precious resource.

Sincerely, Kristine Johnson 20 Eagle Rd Tijeras, NM 87059

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:26:46 -0400

From: "adamshriver244@hotmail.com" <adamshriver244@hotmail.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Adam Shriver 244 Todd Circle Ames, IA 50014

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From: "jterradotter@tinnermanpalnut.com" <jterradotter@tinnermanpalnut.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jan Terradotter 146 Emerson berea, OH 44017

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:26:26 -0400

From: "darrell@efgmortgages.com" <darrell@efgmortgages.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. It is clear that the current administration has no interest in protecting the environment, so it is essential the the rest of us take it upon ourselves. This is not a partisan issue, we all have to breath the same air and drink the same water.

Sincerely, Darrell Decker Darrell Decker 10009 Greenview Ave Cleveland, OH 44125

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:26:06 -0400

From: "lannarino@columbus.rr.com" <lannarino@columbus.rr.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines. It seems that under the Bush administration we are losing the hard-won gains of past decades. We cannot afford to go backwards. Once we have destroyed the water environment and its fish, it is impossible to bring it back. Dead is dead. No matter how much our president believes he is being led by God, not even he can believe God will restore our rivers, streams and oceans after he allows industry to destroy them.

Sincerely, Louise Annarino 155 west Main St. #502 Columbus, OH 43215

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:25:45 -0400

From: "themelissa@juno.com" <themelissa@juno.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Melissa Pereksta 22656 Locust Lane Rocky River, OH 44116

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:25:25 -0400

From: "jterradotter@tinnermanpalnut.com" <jterradotter@tinnermanpalnut.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Jan Terradotter 146 Emerson Berea, OH 44017

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:24:25 -0400

From: "m.tokmenko@csuohio.edu" <m.tokmenko@csuohio.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Mary Ann Tokmenko 116 Grove Street Lodi, OH 44254

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:24:15 -0400

From: "exegete2@yahoo.com" <exegete2@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not allow the executive branch to weaken the currently existing fish habitat guidelines established by directly democratically elected legislature.

Sincerely, Ryan Murphy 3742 West 140th Street Cleveland, OH 44111

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:24:15 -0400

From: "litwiller.daniel@mayo.edu" < litwiller.daniel@mayo.edu>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not to weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

The fishing industry, for one, depends on the health of the ocean and the wildlife in it. It is a renewable resource that we need to take care of!

Thanks for your time.

Sincerely, Dan Litwiller 101 Civic Center Dr. NE #428 Rochester, MN 55906

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:23:55 -0400

From: "lsarli@yahoo.com" <lsarli@yahoo.com>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Leonardo Sarli 5705 N. Washington Blvd. #8 Arlington, VA 22205

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:22:55 -0400

From: "vmonacella@cox.net" <vmonacella@cox.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, Vincent Monacella 2908 Hideaway Road Fairfax, VA 22031

Date: Wed, 21 Apr 2004 12:23:05 -0400

From: "bonnersbooks@imbris.net" <bonnersbooks@imbris.net>

To: 0648-AR76@noaa.gov

Dear Mr. Schmitten,

I urge you to protect our oceans and not weaken existing essential fish habitat guidelines.

Sincerely, John O'Connor HCR 61, Box 231 Bonners Ferry, ID 83805